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# Grand Lodge of Canada

In the Province of Ontario



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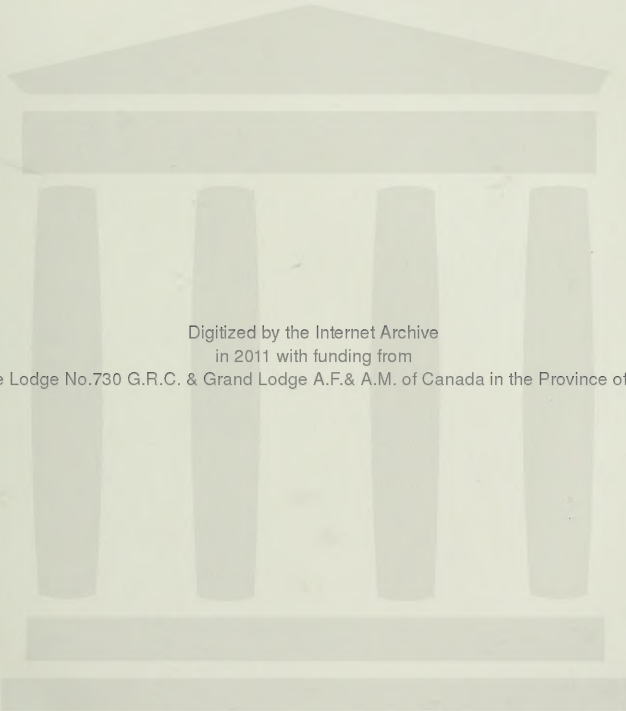
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**PROCEEDINGS**

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SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

HELD AT THE CITY OF

**OTTAWA, ONTARIO**

JULY 20th, A. D. 1921, A. L. 5921



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# Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

## IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

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### PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Toronto, on Thursday, September 23rd, A.D. 1920, A.L. 5920.

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There were present:-

M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton.....	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. A. G. Horwood.....	as Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Bro. W. R. Madill .....	Grand Junior Warden
R. W. Bro. P. A. Sommerville.....	as Grand Chaplain
M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone.....	Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan.....	Grand Secretary
R. W. Bro. A. J. Young.....	as Grand Registrar
V. W. Bro. J. A. Temple.....	Grand Senior Deacon
V. W. Bro. D. Robertson.....	as Grand Junior Deacon
V. W. Bro. R. J. W. Barker.....	Grand Supt. of Works
V. W. Bro. W. J. Attig.....	as Asst. Grand Secretary
V. W. Bro. M. McGregor.....	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. W. Bro. R. C. Ripley.....	Asst. Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. W. Bro. John O'Connor.....	Grand Sword Bearer
V. W. Bro. G. M. Hendry.....	Grand Organist
V. W. Bro. W. Lawrence.....	Asst. Grand Organist
V. W. Bro. Geo. Ross.....	Grand Pursuivant

#### Grand Stewards

V. W. Bros. W. R. Ledger, F. Dane, C. B. Murray, R. W. Hamilton.

V. W. Bro. C. H. Corton, Grand Standard Bearer

V. W. Bro. J. M. Pritchard as Grand Tyler

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 6.30 p.m. by the W. M. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to formally receive and welcome a number of members of the United Grand Lodge of England, the Grand Lodge of Ireland and other Grand Lodges across the seas.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. R. White and, resolved, That the Honorary rank of Past Grand Senior Warden be conferred by this Grand Lodge upon R. W. Bro. The Right Honor-

able Lord Desborough, K.C.V.O., a Past Junior Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England, V. W. Bro. Stanley Machin, J.P., Past Grand Treasurer of the United Grand Lodge of England, and R. W. Bro. James H. Stirling, Provincial Deputy Grand Master of Antrim, Ireland, and that the Honorary Rank of Past Grand Junior Warden be conferred upon W. Bro. A. Cecil

Powell, Past Grand Junior Deacon of the United Grand Lodge of England and W. Bro. John Dickens, Past Grand Standard Bearer of the United Grand Lodge of England.

By direction of the M. W. the Grand Master, V. W. Bro. K. J. Dunstan introduced the following distinguished visitors, who were received with the customary honors and invited to take seats in Grand Lodge,—W. Bros. A. Cecil Powell, P.G.G.D., Bernard Sudgen, Prov. J.G.W., A. W. Spencer, P. Prov. G.D., Arthur H. Smith, P. Prov. G. D., W.W. Holmes, A. Barton Kent, Bro. Chas E. Musgrave, J.W. of Authors' Lodge, London, and Bro. H. Parsons, J. W. of Southampton Lodge.

The M. W. the Grand Master then directed M. W. Bros. W. R. White, K. C., E. T. Malone, K.C. and R. W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, D.G.M., to introduce R. W. Bro. The Right Hon. Lord Desborough, K.C.V.O., P.J.G.W. of the United Grand Lodge of England, V. W. Bro. Stanley Machin, J. P., Past Grand Treasurer of the United Grand Lodge of England, and R. W. Bro. James H. Stirling, Prov. Deputy Grand Master for Antrim, Ireland. The distinguished brethren were greeted with the customary honors and addressed at some length by the M. W. the Grand Master, who expressed the gratification of himself and the masons of the jurisdiction at having the opportunity of entertaining their brethren from across the sea. The visitors were then invited to take seats in the Grand East and suitable responses were made by Lord Desborough, R. W. Bro. Stirling, V. W. Bro. Machin and W. Bro. Powell.

Grand Lodge was then closed in ample form.

W. M. LOGAN,

Grand Secretary.

# Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

## IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

### PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Windsor, on Saturday, the ninth day of July A. D. 1921, A. L. 5921.

There were present

M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. William Norval Gatfield.....	as Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Frederick Mortimer Allworth.....	as Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Bro. William Jno. Douglas.....	as Grand Junior Warden
W. Bro. David Walter Collins.....	as Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. Matthew Powell McMaster.....	as Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. William M. Logan.....	Grand Secretary
W. Bro. John Fry.....	as Asst. Grand Secretary
W. Bro. Edward Blake Winter.....	as Grand Senior Deacon
W. Bro. William Thomas Turner.....	as Grand Junior Deacon
V. W. Bro. Victor P. G. Williamson.....	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies
W. Bro. John Alexander McCullum.....	as Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. George Hy. Arnott.....	as Grand Supt. of Works
W. Bro. Frank R. Vollans.....	as Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies
W. Bro. Andrew Dalziel.....	as Asst. Grand Secretary
W. Bro. James Campbell Reid.....	as Grand Organist
W. Bro. Stanley Wallace.....	as Grand Pursuivant

as Grand Stewards

W. Bros. Ernest C. Barnes, Herbert G. Herage, Algernon R. Butler, Ernest M. Osborn, James S. Clark, Norman Welsh, Sam Ginhand, Ernest H. Bryant.

as Grand Tylers.

W. Bros. Frederick Page, John Thos. Gresty.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 3 p.m. by the M. W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, when a procession was formed under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site in the prescribed order, taking up their proper positions at the north-east corner of building.



The Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity on the stone.

IN THE NAME AND BY THE FAVOR OF THE

## GREAT ARCHITECT OF THE UNIVERSE

On the Ninth day of July, A.D., 1921, A.L. 5921, in the twelfth year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

### GEORGE V.

By the grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

His Excellency, Lord Byng, of Vimy, being Governor General of the Dominion of Canada.

The Hon. Arthur Meighen being Premier of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honour Lionel Herbert Clarke, Esq., being Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Hon. E. C. Drury being Premier of the Province of Ontario.

William C. Kennedy, Esq., being member for the Constituency of North Essex, in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

Alphon Tisdelle, Esq., being member for the Constituency of North Essex, in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. Frederick W. Harcourt, Esq., K.C., being Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, K. C., being Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in, the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. John F. Reid being D.D.G.M. of the Erie District No. 1, of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.



## THIS CORNER STONE

of the Masonic Temple was laid by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge officers, in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and citizens of the City of Windsor.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity of the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the craftsmen had done their duty. The M. W. the Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the Lodge room, where Grand Lodge closed.

W. M. LOGAN,

Grand Secretary.

# Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

## IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

### PROCEEDINGS

At the Sixty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Ottawa, Ontario, commencing Wednesday, July 20th., A.D. 1921, A L. 5921.

There were present:—

THE GRAND MASTER,

M. W. Bro. Fred W. Harcourt on the Throne

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER,

R. W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton,

R. W. Bro. H. McKenzie.....	Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Bro. W. R. Madill.....	Grand Junior Warden
R. W. Bro. Rev. Canon Piercy.....	Grand Chaplain
M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone.....	Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan.....	Grand Secretary
V. W. Bro. S. A. Morgan.....	as Grand Senior Deacon
V. W. Bro. W. H. Sproule. . . . .	Grand Junior Deacon
R. W. Bro. A. M. Ross.....	as Grand Supt. of Works
V. W. Bro. J. Pearson.....	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies
R. W. Bro. W. N. Gatfield.....	as Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies
V. W. Bro. W. J. Attig.....	as Asst. Grand Secretary
V. W. Bro. John O'Connor.....	Grand Sword Bearer
R. W. Bro. H. Rush.....	as Grand Organist
W. Bro. C. E. Dickson.....	as Asst. Grand Organist
V. W. Bro. Geo. Ross.....	Grand Pursuivant

Grand Stewards:

V. W. Bros. Chas. Murphy, J. B. Ferguson, R. W. Hamilton,  
A. E. Essery, G. A. Kingston, J. W. Holtby, Jas. O. Herity.

Grand Standard Bearers:

V. W. Bro. A. W. Grant, V. W. Bro. W. H. Sproule.

### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R.W.Bro. J. F. Reid.....	Erie District.....	No. 1
R.W.Bro. J. J. Vincent.....	Erie District.....	No. 1a
R.W.Bro. W. H. Hunt.....	St. Clair District.....	No. 2
R.W.Bro. L. A. Boss.....	London District.....	No. 3
R.W.Bro. G. A. Fraser.....	South Huron District.....	No. 4

R.W.Bro. W. A. Wilson.....	North Huron District.....	No. 5
R. W. Bro. J. S. Martin.....	Wilson District.....	No. 6
R.W.Bro. R. S. Hamilton.....	Wellington District.....	No. 7
R.W.Bro. H. A. Graham.....	Hamilton District.....	No. 8
R.W.Bro. R. J. Campbell.....	Georgian District.....	No. 9
R.W.Bro. W. C. Tait.....	Niagara District.....	No. 10
R.W.Bro. G. M. Hermiston.....	Toronto West District.....	No. 11
R.W.Bro. E. Blanchard.....	Toronto East District.....	No. 11a
R.W.Bro. G. G. Hood.....	Toronto Centre District.....	No. 11b
R.W.Bro. F. C. Hoar.....	Ontario District.....	No. 12
R.W.Bro. W. J. Potts.....	Prince Edward District.....	No. 13
R.W.Bro. H. S. Northmore.....	Frontenac District.....	No. 14
R.W. Bro. W. C. Johnson.....	St. Lawrence District.....	No. 15
R.W.Bro. E. S. Macphail.....	Ottawa District.....	No. 16
R.W.Bro. Jos. Fowler.....	Nipissing District.....	No. 18
R.W.Bro. H. E. Rice.....	Muskoka District.....	No. 19
R.W.Bro. H. J. Townley.....	Victoria District.....	No. 20
R.W.Bro. J. D. Harkness.....	Eastern District.....	No. 21
R.W. Bro. F. H. Todd.....	Temiskaming District.....	No. 22
R.W.Bro. D. E. Russell.....	Brant District.....	No. 23
R.W.Bro. R. C. Crawford.....	Bruce District.....	No. 24
R.W.Bro. J. M. Abbott.....	Grey District.....	No. 25

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

## GRAND LODGE OF

M. W. Bro. His Hon. Sir John M. Gibson.....	England
M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone.....	Ireland
R. W. Bro. A. J. Young.....	Alberta
R. W. Bro. E. B. Brown.....	British Columbia
R. W. Bro. Fred. Cook.....	Manitoba
R. W. Bro. Thomas Rowe.....	Prince Edward Island
R. W. Bro. Thomas Shanks.....	Quebec
R. W. Bro. John Boyd.....	New Zealand
R. W. Bro. Geo. S. May.....	Queensland
M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt.....	South Australia
R. W. Bro. A. F. Webster.....	Tasmania
M. W. Bro. Hon. W. D. McPherson.....	Victoria
R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan.....	Colorado
R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Smith.....	Connecticut
M. W. Bro. W. R. White.....	Georgia
R. W. Bro. R. F. Richardson.....	Idaho
R. W. Bro. Abraham Shaw.....	Illinois
R. W. Bro. Hon. T. H. Grant.....	Iowa
M. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope.....	Maryland
R. W. Bro. J. B. Way.....	Maine
R. W. Bro. W. N. Gatfield.....	Michigan
R. W. Bro. C. W. Haentschel.....	Minnesota
M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	Nebraska
M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed.....	New York
R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore.....	Ohio
R. W. Bro. J. F. Reid.....	Rhode Island
R. W. Bro. J. C. Bartram.....	South Carolina
R. W. Bro. J. A. Rowland.....	South Dakota
R. W. Bro. A. J. Anderson.....	Tennessee
R. W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton.....	Texas
R. W. Bro. W. H. Tudhope.....	Vermont

R. W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson.....	Washington
R. W. Bro. Henry Rush.....	Wisconsin
R. W. Bro. F. D. Diamond.....	Costa Rica
R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope.....	Peru
R. W. Bro. W. M. Ross.....	Philippine Islands

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## ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA

His Worship, the Mayor of Ottawa, was introduced by R. W. Bro. E. S. MacPhail, and addressed the Grand Master and the members of Grand Lodge. He welcomed the delegates to the Capital City, pointing out the great respect and admiration which the citizens generally had for the Masonic order. He made reference to many of our great statesmen and men of public affairs who were pillars of the Craft and extended the right hand of fellowship and the freedom of the city to the Masonic visitors.

The Grand Master responded briefly and voiced the pleasure felt by himself and the other members of Grand Lodge in the warm welcome which they had received from the civic head. He prophesied a busy session for the delegates but hoped that they would find enough time to explore and appreciate the well-known beauties of Ottawa. He conveyed to his Worship his own thanks and those of Grand Lodge generally for kindnesses already received and the proffer of other kindnesses to come.

## FIRST DAY

### GRAND LODGE OPENED

A constitutional number of lodges being represented Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and the Grand Chaplain asked the blessing of the G.A.T.O.T.U. upon the proceedings.

The M. W. the Grand Master gave permission to all Master Masons in good standing to enter and occupy the side seats.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Wardens and Members of Grand Lodge.



Your Committee on Credentials begs to report as follows:—

There are on the register of Grand Lodge 497 warranted lodges.

Represented at this communication:

By regular officers.....	287
By Proxies.....	93
By Past Masters.....	26
Total number represented.....	406
Total number registered.....	1045
having a total vote of.....	1751

Your committee desires to report, there is much neglect by Lodge Secretaries in omitting the names of Past Masters from the return of Lodge Officers. These omissions cause delay in registration, with confusion and annoyance to the delegates, who are in many cases aged brethren, and who are caused to seek identification to permit adjustment.

Your committee would recommend the preparation of a special warning to lodge secretaries, that all affiliated Past Masters must be returned even if no longer resident in the jurisdiction of the lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

J. B. WAY,  
Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. B. Way and

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Credentials be received and adopted.

Following are the names of those present.

**No. 2. Niagara, Niagara.** R. W. Bro. R. W. Allen, Proxy.  
W. Bro. T. M. Ferguson, P.M.

**No. 3. Ancient St. John's, Kingston.** W. Bro. P. C. Campbell,  
W. M. Bro. H. Edgar, S. W., Bro. R. H. Lawson, J. W., W. Bros.  
W. T. Connell, P. H. Burke, R. D. Baker, P. Ms.

**No. 5, Sussex, Brockville.** W. Bro. T. H. Guest, P.M. and  
Proxy.

**No. 6, Barton, Hamilton.** R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore, P. M. and Proxy. M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed and W. Bro. W. H. Davis, P.Ms.

**No. 7, Union, Grimsby.** W. Bro. J. T. Theal, W.M., R. W. Bros. W. J. Drope, C. T. Farrell, W. Bros. J. H. Gibson, W. T. Randall, J. Robertson, P.Ms.

**No. 9, Union, Napanee.** W. Bro. R. H. D. McGreer, W.M. Bro. O. S. Reddick, S. W., Bro. C. J. Tustin, J. W., R. W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, W. Bros. W. A. Thompson and J. G. Fennell, P. Ms.

**No. 11, Moira, Belleville.** W. Bro. F. W. Frost, W. M., R. W. Bro. John Newton, V. W. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson, W. Bro. J. W. Barlow, P.Ms.

**No. 14, True Britons, Perth.** W. Bro. M. G. Hicks, W. M., Bro. J. Gamble, J. W., W. Bros. G. C. Townsend, M. Code, J. V. Watson, R. C. Hicks, P.Ms.

**No. 15, St. George's, St. Catharines.** W. Bro. W. P. Holmes, P. M. and Proxy.

**No. 16, St. Andrew's Toronto.** R. W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson, P. M. and Proxy. Bro. G. C. Kirby, J. W. R. W. Bros. Rev. G. H. Purchase, J. S. Lovell, V. W. Bro. John Pearson, V. W. Bro. G. A. Kingston, W. Bro. W. E. Struthers, P.Ms.

**No. 17, St. John's, Cobourg.** W. Bros. B. Ewing, W.M. W. Bro. G. W. Rothwell, P. M.

**No. 18, Prince Edward, Picton.** W. Bro. W. E. Vick, W. M. Bro. H. D. Leavens, J. W. W. Bros. M. K. Adams and J. H. Colden, P. Ms.

**No. 20, St. John's, Vanleek Hill.** W. Bro. A. D. McRae, W. M., Bro. C. H. Reasbick, J. W. W. Bros. R. Linton, F. F. Downing, P. Ms.

**No. 22, King Solomon's, Toronto.** R. W. Bro. John Tanner, P. M. and Proxy.

**No. 23, Richmond, Richmond Hill.** W. Bro. A. Metcalfe, W.M. Bro. H. H. Lang, J. W. R. W. Bro. W. H. Legge, W. Bros. T. H. French, L. E. Hand, J. H. Dunlop, P. Ms.

**No. 24, St. Francis, Smith's Falls.** W. Bro. C. G. Jones, W. M. R. W. Bro. G. T. Martin, W. Bro. M. Lavelle, P.Ms.

**No. 25, Ionic, Toronto.** R. W. Bro. E. B. Brown, P. M. and Proxy. M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, W. Bros. S. T. Bastedo, R. J. Reade, P. Ms.

**No. 26, Ontario, Port Hope.** W. Bro. A. K. Skitch, P. M. and Proxy.

**No. 27, Strict Observance, Hamilton.** R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan, P. M. and Proxy. W. Bro. F. Hills, P. M.

**No. 28, Mount Zion, Kemptville.** Bro. M. F. Earle, S. W. W. Bros. S. H. Guest, P. T. Smith, P. Ms.

**No. 29, United, Brighton.** W. Bro. M. S. Langdon, W. M.

**No. 30, Composite, Whitby,** W. Bro. F. G. Erskine, P. M. and Proxy. Bro. G. M. Goodfellow, J. W. R. W. Bro. A. T. Lawlor, P. M.

**No. 31, Jerusalem, Bowmanville.** W. Bro. T. A. Dustan, W. M. R. W. Bro. F. C. Hoar, W. Bros. W. J. Bragg and G. C. Bonnycastle, P. Ms.

**No. 33, Maitland, Goderich.** Bro. H. B. M. Tichbourne, J. W.

**No. 37, King Hiram, Ingersoll.** V. W. Bro. G. M. McKay, P. M. and Proxy.

**No. 38, Trent, Trenton.** W. Bro. F. N. Alyea, W. M. R. W. Bros. W. J. Potts, R. H. Spencer, W. Bro. Geo. Collins, P. Ms.

**No. 39, Mount Zion, Brooklin.** W. Bro. T. R. Price, W. M.

**No. 40, St. John's, Hamilton.** R. W. Bro. P. A. Sommerville, P. M. and Proxy. R. W. Bros. W. G. Reid, J. Malloy, W. Birrell, W. Bros. C. W. Fielding, W. E. MacDougall, J. B. Turner, J. E. Riddell, A. G. Bain, W. A. Smith, A. S. McPherson, F. J. Maw, B. L. Simpson, F. W. Sprules, E. Morrison, J. F. Mercer, F. Martin, D. W. McKenzie, P. Ms.

**No. 41, St. George's, Kingsville.** W. Bro. G. P. Fox, W. M.

**No. 42, St. George's, London.** W. Bro. C. W. Heaman, W. M. R. W. Bros. C. Boss, W. Bro. R. Syme, P. Ms.

**No. 43, King Solomon's, Woodstock.** W. Bro. Thos. A. Love, W. M.

**No. 44, St. Thomas, St. Thomas.** W. Bro. J. W. Stewart, W. M. W. Bro. P. T. Corcoran, P. M.

**No. 45, Brant, Brantford.** W. Bro. L. L. Miller, P. M. and Proxy.

**No. 46, Wellington, Chatham.** W. Bro. John A. McCallum, W. M. W. Bro. C. E. Clement, P. M.

**No. 47, Great Western, Windsor.** W. Bro. F. R. Vollans, W. M. Bro. Wm. Thorburn, S. W. Bro. Robt. Moore, J. W. R. W. Bros. J. F. Reid, W. N. Gatfield, W. J. Douglas, P. Ms.

**No. 48, Madoc, Madoc.** W. Bro. Grant Fraser, W. M. W. Bros. W. L. Smith, Ezra Smith, P. Ms.

**No. 52, Dalhousie, Ottawa.** W. Bro. J. T. Jackson, W. M., Bro. G. E. Morrison, S. W. R. W. Bro. G. S. May, W. Bros. R. G. Knox, C. S. Scott, V. W. Bro. W. H. Sproule, W. Bros. J. R. Hill, S. C. Thompson, H. C. Ellis, J. R. Reid, J. Shearer, E. J. McCleery, P. Ms.

**No. 54, Vaughan, Maple.** W. Bros. S. R. Robinson, W. M.

**No. 55, Merrickville, Merrickville.** W. Bro. H. B. Kidd, W. M.  
R. W. Bros. R. W. Watchorn, G. B. Magee, W. Bro. N. H. Lang,  
P. Ms.

**No. 56, Victoria, Sarnia.** W. Bro. W. J. Bentley, W. M. R.  
W. Bro. W. H. Hunt, P. M.

**No. 57, Harmony, Binbrook.** W. Bro. C. I. Stewart, P. M.  
and Proxy.

**No. 58, Doric, Ottawa.** W. Bro. E. L. Taylor, W. M. Bro.  
J. W. McNabb, S. W. R. W. Bros. J. C. Bartram, E. S. Macphail.  
C. W. Jeffrey, J. A. Ross, W. Bros. W. J. Kidd, W. A. Oliver, J. B.  
Spencer, J. F. Argue, W. Eastwood, J. A. Hocking, J. A. Lamb, W. C.  
Macartney, P. Ms.

**No. 61, Acacia, Hamilton.** W. Bro. C. R. Brown, W. M. M.  
W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, V. W. Bro. S. A. Morgan, W. Bros. F. H.  
Yapp, E. E. Linger, C. E. Kelly, Wm. Ostler, W. H. Ginder, C. H.  
Nix, J. G. Tigert, H. W. Temple, A. H. Tallman, A. Lavis, F. E.  
Perney, Geo. Britton, F. W. Davidson, S. A. Wait, W. D. Connor,  
A. W. Granger, S. A. Ingram, P. Ms.

**No. 62, St. Andrew's, Caledonia.** W. Bro. John Thompson,  
P. M. and Proxy. R. W. Bro. Jas. McGregor, P. M.

**No. 63, St. John's, Carleton Place.** W. Bro. J. A. McEwen  
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The Worshipful Masters of Ottawa and Westboro were introduced and presented to Grand Lodge, and the following address was read by R. W. Bro. E. S. Macphail, D.D.G.M. of the Ottawa District:—

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, F. W. Harcourt, K. C., Grand Lodge Officers, and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

We, the Worshipful Masters of the twelve lodges meeting in the city of Ottawa and the village of Westboro, extend to you a hearty welcome and fraternal greetings on behalf of the Masons of the city and district on the occasion of your presence here on this the sixty-sixth annual communication of Grand Lodge.

To you, Most Worshipful Sir, we offer our sincere felicitations on having presided so acceptably and so faithfully as our honoured Grand Master during the past two years. It has been a matter of pride to all the mem-

bers of the Craft in this Grand jurisdiction that you have been consistently true to the finest traditions of this ancient fraternity; that you have possessed in an eminent degree the characteristic qualifications which have always been regarded as essential in a good Mason, and that you have labored earnestly for the advancement of the Order along the path blazed out by the brethren of olden times who in the dim and misty light of the past saw visions of its glorious future.

If you have wielded the gavel it has always been as a beneficent autocrat. With you the hand of fellowship has been more potent than the sceptre of authority. You have exemplified in the best sense the love of good order and regularity of procedure and at the same time have practised the sanest ideals of democratic rule. The Masons whom you govern respect you for those outstanding intellectual gifts which have made your name an honoured one in the profession to which you belong, but they love you for that genial personality and that tenderness and amiability of temper which give evidence of your greatness of heart. In all your official intercourse you have displayed an assurance of good nature that has disarmed hostility and the result is shown in a kingdom of happy and contented subjects.

The Ottawa district in common with the rest of your jurisdiction has exhibited a remarkable growth during the eight years since Grand Lodge held its meeting in the Capital, and we are pleased to report that the progress has been of the most satisfactory nature. We recognize that numbers alone are not the best criterion of healthy growth, but we can assure you that due caution has been exercised in investigating the eligibility of those who have applied for membership. We cannot but feel, therefore, that the entrance of so many into the Order at a time when its principles are most needed as a leavening and stabilizing influence is a hopeful sign for the peace of our Dominion, our Empire, and the world at large, and for the preservation of those well-established institutions which time has tried and which experience has vindicated.

When Grand Lodge last met in the city of Ottawa we were unfortunately without a Masonic home of our own. We have now a Temple which, although spacious

and substantial, is fast being outgrown by the demands of the Order. Eight years ago there were seven lodges in the city; now there are ten, and two others chartered during the intervening period in the neighboring village of Westboro exercise jurisdiction over a part of the city. Harmony and good will prevail within the Order throughout the City and District and the fact that many of our most prominent citizens are members of the fraternity is the best evidence of the esteem in which its teachings are held by those who are best qualified to judge of their value and their influence.

It is hoped that your deliberations as a Grand Lodge will be crowned with success and that they will be conducted with the harmony and brotherly love that have characterized all your communications in the past. Knowing the integrity and ability of the men who have been intrusted with the government of the Craft we are confident that your official acts and decisions will strengthen the hands of those who are teaching and living the basic principles of the Order and that they will conduce to its further peace, prosperity, and progress.

J. T. Jackson, W. M. Dalhousie Lodge No. 52.  
E. L. Taylor, W. M. Doric Lodge, No. 58.  
F. D. Burpee, W. M. Civil Service Lodge No. 148.  
R. E. Cook, W. M. The Builders Lodge No. 177.  
H. M. Butler, W. M. Lodge Fidelity No. 231.  
G. B. Peterkin, W. M. Chaudiere Lodge No. 264.  
F. W. Pooler, W. M. Ionic Lodge No. 558.  
J. Parrington, W. M. St. Andrews' Lodge No. 560.  
D. A. MacEachern, W. M. Acacia Lodge No. 561.  
D. A. Esdale, W. M. Ashlar Lodge No. 564.

The W. M. the Grand Master thanked the Ottawa brethren for their kind wishes and their genial welcome. called attention to the fact that from the moment of the arrival of members of Grand Lodge the brethren of Ottawa had been unremitting in their efforts to entertain and he foresaw a successful and most pleasant meeting.

## RECEPTION OF M. W. BRO. CAMERON

M. W. Bro. J. Alex. Cameron, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and Grand Representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Quebec,

was presented to Grand Lodge by M. W. Bro. Sir John M. Gibson, in felicitous terms, to which M. W. Bro. Cameron made a fitting and eloquent response. The M. W. brother was then accorded Grand Honors.

The Grand Representatives of Foreign Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge were then presented by M. W. Bro. W. R. White and were accorded Grand Honours. R. W. Bro. Hon. R. H. Grant responded briefly for the Grand Representatives.

The Grand Secretary began to read the minutes of the proceedings of the last Annual Communication when it was moved by M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and Resolved, That the Minutes of Proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Sixty-fifth Annual Communication held at the City of Niagara Falls on the 21st and 22nd days of July, 1920, having been printed and copies thereof having been distributed to the constituent lodges, the same be considered as read, and they be now confirmed.

### LETTERS OF REGRET

Letters were read from the following brethren, expressing their regret at being unable to attend the meeting of Grand Lodge:—

M. W. Bro. M. W. McBurney, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec; M. W. Bro. A. B. Wood, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec; M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, P. G. M.; R. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, P. G. M.; R. W. Bro. Milton Francis, D. D. G. M.

Also letters were read from R. W. Bros. Lord Desborough, K. C. V. O.; Stanley Machin, J.P.; J. H. Stirling; A. Cecil Powell; and John Dickens thanking this Grand Lodge for the honorary rank conferred upon them at the Special Communication of this Grand Lodge on September 23rd, 1920.

### ADDRESS OF THE M. W. GRAND MASTER

The Grand Master then addressed the brethren as follows:—

My Brethren :

Last year we held our Annual Convention at Niagara Falls, the seat of the first Parliament of Upper Canada

(convened 18th September, 1792). We, today, are most fortuitously holding the Sixty-sixth Annual Convention of our Grand Lodge in this beautiful city of Ottawa, where the first session of the Parliament of Canada was opened on 8th June, 1866, which resulted in maturing the project of Confederation, and on the first day of July following, the birthday of our Dominion was celebrated.

To Sir Leonard Tilley, one of the Fathers of Confederation, not one of whom survives, is allotted the honor of naming the youngest of the Nations. You will remember that there was much debate concerning it. The question, a most important one you will agree, was settled on the 14th day of the month. The Psalm appointed to be read in Anglican Churches on that day was the 72nd. Mr. Tilley, an earnest, devout Anglican, called attention to the fact, quoting the 8th verse which reads: "His Dominion shall also be from one sea to the other, and from the flood to the world's end." A timely suggestion, a happy augury, the name and the circumstance alike recalling a flood of memories.

May Canada really be and remain always His Dominion. May His rule be universally recognized, His laws observed in this land, named from a passage in His Word; may her rulers always regard that Word as a guide, an anchor and a sure refuge. Her boundaries extend from one sea to the other, and a vast a goodly country lies between. Our problem is to people it with justice-loving, God-fearing, honest men.

History tells us that strong opposition was made to the selection of Ottawa as the seat of Government on account of her then small population and importance commercially and otherwise as compared with the other Canadian cities, and for other reasons, but who will now doubt the wisdom of our revered Queen Victoria in selecting Ottawa as the Capital of Canada. As was to be expected, there was keen competition for the honor. Quebec, Montreal, Kingston and Toronto most persistently pressed their claims. The rivalry of these four cities sent the prize to Ottawa.

In 1826, on this spot stood a village called Bytown. To-day it is the site of the most picturesque city on this.



Continent, unrivalled in natural scenery and unexcelled for the grandeur and stateliness of its Parliament buildings.

During its short life great progress has been made in civic improvements. Great results have been attained in legislation towards building up our Dominion, and great opportunities are still open for future progress and development.

As regards progress, the Craft has not been standing idle in this jurisdiction, and the principles of Masonry are taught and exemplified in a true Masonic manner. Before this Convention closes you will have an opportunity of judging the good Masonry practised by our Ottawa brethren.

I said in my last Address that the year then just past was marked for its prosperity. This past year surpasses it. Our capital then was \$326,000.00, income \$110,500.00. Now our capital is 369,000.00, and income, \$133,500.00. Then we expended \$51,000.00 on benevolence as against \$67,000.00 last year. Yet in my opinion, we are not doing our duty to the full. The rules and regulations which govern those who administer benevolence are not in all respects based on the true Masonic spirit. Why should relief be refused to a widow and children of a Mason because he is not in good standing? Is it their fault? Why should a Mason not in good standing who is unable to support himself through physical disability not receive assistance? Why should this Grand Lodge withhold relief because the lodge to which an unfortunate belongs has not assisted him? The letter killeth, and opportunities for doing good are lost. There is too much red tape attached to the administration of our benevolence. Speaking for myself, if a member of this Grand body tells me of a Mason or a Masonic family who he knows are in need, I will take his word for it. I would rather be deceived than run the risk of withholding relief where it is needed. And moreover, Grand Lodge should give authority to its Grand Master to direct the Grand Treasurer to make out a cheque in emergency cases, and there are a few of them that cannot await delay. If he is not to be trusted in the expenditure of a few dollars for such relief he is unworthy of the position he holds. There is real wisdom in the Latin saying "He gives twice, who gives quickly."

The report on the Fraternal Dead, as is inevitable, tells a sad tale of the losses our Order has suffered during the year; losses which we in our limited vision think irreparable, but the Almighty's unerring judgment sees what is to be, and we with humbleness submit.

I will only name M. W. Bro. Henry Stearns, P.G.M., P.G. Treasurer of Quebec and P.G.S.W. of this Grand Body, a Grand Mason for over 60 years. The others will be mentioned in the report on Fraternal Dead. Strong, good and true men have gone beyond recall, but their places will be filled with those who will be given equal strength, wisdom and integrity. So moves our Brotherhood.

We shall greatly miss them, but their living influence was so marked that it will long continue. Who, indeed, can say at what point influence will die? Our lamented brothers impressed for lasting good their personality on those of their own time. Their lives and characters formed guiding principles in others and lighted fires which will long outlast the headstone and the tablet.

Lord Tennyson, trustfully says:

"We pass: the path that each man trod  
Is dim, or will be dim, with weeds;  
What frame is left for human deeds  
In endless age? It rests with God.

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

To fill the vacancies which have occurred in the list of our Representatives to foreign jurisdictions, I have confirmed the following appointments made by the respective Grand Lodges:

M. W. Bro. J. Alex. Cameron, Montreal, Grand Lodge of Quebec.

V. W. Bro. Walter Kemp, Melbourne, Grand Lodge of Victoria.

W. Bro. Hubert H. Hubbard, Galena, Grand Lodge of Kansas.

W. Bro. W. J. Dorman, Belfast, Grand Lodge of Maine.

W. Bro. Walter F. Meier, Seattle, Grand Lodge of Washington.

To represent foreign Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge, the following members have been commissioned on my nomination:

R. W. Bro. Hon. R. H. Grant, Toronto, Grand Lodge of Iowa.

R. W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, Toronto, Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

The list of foreign Grand Lodges with whom we hold communication and exchange fraternal greetings should be revised and a Committee appointed for that purpose. It is not complete. To give instances, the Grand Jurisdictions of France, Denmark, Egypt, Norway, Sweden and Mexico are not on our list, although they are in fraternal communication with almost all other Grand bodies.

## STATISTICS

There are now on the Register of this Grand Lodge 501 lodges, of which 481 are warranted and 20 are under dispensation. Of these five have had their dispensations continued from 1920. I have granted dispensations for the institution of the following lodges:

Adoniram, Niagara Falls; Craig, Ailsa Craig; Fidelity, Toronto; Mimosa, Toronto; St. Clair, Toronto; Queen's Kingston; Acacia, London; Harmony, Windsor; Harcourt, Toronto; Sunnyside, Toronto; Transportation, Toronto; Royal Edward, Kingston; Kaministiquia, Fort William; War Veterans, Toronto; Patricia, Toronto.

Our membership at June 24, 1921, is estimated at about 88,000. So far as the number is concerned, it is most gratifying to those who wish to see our Order grow rapidly. I must confess that I am not one of them. I feel at times apprehensive that this abnormal growth may react unfavorably on us at some time in the future in the form of demits, suspensions and dissensions caused not choosing as carefully as we should. For example, it may be that men have been prompted to join under stress of excitement caused by the War, which will wear off and be followed by indifference. I do not pose as a

prophet, and hope my fears will not be realized. The task of keeping under full control large lodges yearly adding great numbers will be increasingly difficult. May my fears be groundless. Still, brethren, I must again sound the note of warning; guard your portals, build slowly and surely. Historical instances innumerable can be given of what has been aptly called "The imbecile tyranny of numbers."

## FINANCIAL DETAILS

For the year ending May 31, 1920, our total receipts from lodges and investments were.....\$110,516 84  
In 1920-1921 we received..... 133,508 20

An increase for 1921 of.....\$ 22,991 36  
Our Expenditure for 1920 on our General  
Account was.....\$ 27,003 93  
Our Expenditure this year was ..... 29,752 96

An increase of.....\$ 2,749 03  
Our Cash Balance May 31, 1920, was.....\$ 2,939 27  
Receipts for the year..... 133,508 20  
Debentures matured..... 13,172 13

A total of.....\$149,619 50

This amount was disposed of as follows:

Expenditure on General Account.....\$ 29,752 96  
Grants for Benevolence from General Fund...\$ 60,200 00  
Invested in Debentures and Bonds..... 49,800 92  
Cash in Bank, May 31, 1921..... 9,865 72

A total of.....\$149,619 60

## BENEVOLENCE

Expended in Grants, 1920.....\$ 51,030 00  
Expended in Grants, 1921..... 66,577 50

An increase of.....\$ 15,547 50

### ASSETS

General Fund, May 31, 1920.....	\$220,855 31
S.-C. Fund, May 31, 1920.....	105,298 05
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	\$326,153 36
General Fund, May 31, 1921.....	\$264,666 81
S.-C. Fund, May 31, 1921.....	104,217 28
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	\$368,884 09
An increase of.....	42,733 73

### CONSECRATIONS, DEDICATIONS, WARRANTS AND BY-LAWS

The By-Laws of thirty lodges have been confirmed and I have approved of the Amendments to By-Laws of 204 others.

During the year 19 lodges have been constituted and consecrated, at eight of which ceremonies I officiated personally.

### DEDICATIONS

Eighteen lodges have been dedicated and I was able to be present at six of these impressive seremonials.

### WARRANTS

In accordance with the decision of Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, I issued warrants to the following lodges:

Ionic, Buchanan, Tuscan, Wardrope, Hamilton, all of Hamilton; Queen City, Oakwood, Palestine, Kil-winning, King Hiram, St.Aidan's, of all Toronto; Border Cities, of Windsor; Nation, of Spencerville; Finch, of Finch; Sidney Albert Luke, St.Andrew's, Ashlar, all of Ottawa; Acacia, of Westboro; Victory, of Chatham.

### DISPENSATIONS, RULINGS AND DECISIONS

302 dispensations have been granted during the past year, many of which were for the purpose of special meetings for installations and divine service. Under Section 181a of the Constitution I have permitted many men to enter our doors, although they were not physically



perfect. I have always required emphatic assurance of the fitness of the applicant from some dependable brother, usually the D.D.G.M.

Handing out Rulings has been the one unpleasant part of my duties. It reminds me that even Masons are prone to err, and sometimes for reasons not Masonic. It was wisely said long ago that we all make mistakes, even the youngest of us. Further, my judgment may in many cases be wrong, and often I feel compelled to work an individual hardship in order to uphold precedents which, in the opinion of those affected by the ruling, should be ruthlessly disregarded.

A few Masonic complaints have been sent to me which I thought it advisable to refer to special committees. They have not yet reported, and for good reason. In my mind I have been in doubt as to what course should be pursued when the complaint charged amounts to a crime under the Criminal Code. Should it first be dealt with by the Crown, where there is power to compel witnesses to give testimony under oath? It might put us in an awkward position if we found a brother guilty of say theft or robbery and disciplined him to learn later that he had been tried by the Crown and found not guilty.

The rulings of Past Grand Masters have been revised and compiled by the committee appointed for that purpose, and will be submitted to you.

I again make an appeal to the Secretaries to keep copies of the Summons calling lodge meetings. It is most important. We have been criticized by foreign Masonic periodicals, and rightly so, for giving undue publicity to what occurs at our meetings and in our Masonry, but I assure the Editors of these papers that this is not done with the knowledge or consent of the Grand Master, nor can he prevent it. The ubiquitous, enterprising, acquisitive, pushing, modest, up-to-date reporter is ever alert! He may even be one of us and at times forget his duty to the Craft in order to get "a scoop". Or, it may be the eager, over-zealous Master who likes to do a little advertising through the Press. It is to be hoped that after reflection, upon reading the cold copy, he will realize that it is rather bad form as well as bad

Masonry to praise oneself. May we rest content with earning the unsolicited approval of brother Masons, as well as the restful consciousness arising from duty well done.

Almost from time immemorial the office of Grand Secretary has been hampered by negligent Masters and Secretaries neglecting to send in the reports required of them by the Constitution. I was compelled to suspend the secretary of one lodge for refusing to make semi-annual returns to the Grand Secretary as required by section 160 of the Constitution. This was the only lodge in the jurisdiction which had failed to send in the half-yearly return, and repeated letters to the Secretary availed nothing. Correspondence in connection with the matter will be placed in the hands of the Grievances and Appeals Committee.

I have pleasure now in reporting that we have received returns from every lodge in the jurisdiction from June to December, 1920. This is the first time that we have been able to accomplish this for at least thirty years. We have also succeeded in getting all balances due on these returns paid with the exception of four. This good result followed the tactful and persistent effort on the part of the Grand Secretary.

An Order called "The Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm" or "The Grotto" has established itself in our jurisdiction, requiring as a prerequisite to membership in such organization that the applicant be a Master Mason. Master Masons are canvassed to join, particularly the younger brethren. According to the Address of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Colorado (see page 64 of Grand Lodge Proceedings of Colorado 1919, and the resolution referred to at page 121 of 1920) Masons are forbidden to join the so-called organization as it has the effect of bringing reproach and shame on Masonry. I commend this ruling of our sister Colorado to the serious consideration of this Grand Lodge and I advise the appointment of a committee to take action.

The Report of the Board of General Purposes of the United Grand Lodge of England of 2nd March, 1921 refers to a Petition received by the Grand Secretary bear-

ing four signatures, two of ladies styling themselves respectively the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary of and on behalf of "The Honorable Fraternity of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masonry" asking recognition. The Petition was refused and a warning was thrown out that the Board would continue to exercise its disciplinary powers towards any Masons who violate their obligation by being present at or assisting in any such assemblies.

I do not understand why Masons as Masons allow their names to be used by organizations not Masonic even to please their wives or those they hope to call by that name. To my mind it is opposed to the best traditions of the Craft and sails dangerously near violation of Masonic obligations.

Some of our sister Grand Lodges across the border have sent me letters written by a member of a lodge in this jurisdiction soliciting money for the assistance of members of his family. I pointed out to the brother that such a proceeding is unmasonic and must be discontinued. He did not apply to any lodge in this jurisdiction but acted possibly from a strange impulse, and having acted, sought to frame excuses and explanations to meet the occasion. My interview with the brother only added to my wonderment. To understand his action would be to solve the mysteries of human motive.

In my last Address I referred to the generous bequest our late M. W. Bro. John Robertson Ross made to this Grand body of his Masonic library. Through the kindness of M. W. Bro. D. J. Goggin, R. W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson, and V. W. Bro. Charles B. Murray, the books have been arranged on shelves in the Yonge Street Temple, Toronto, and placed in a room there awaiting further instructions. It is to be hoped that this library as has been the case with hundreds of them, will prove helpful and instructive to many of our members. In no better way could gratitude to the donor find practical expression. The reading habit is a good one, though not as much in vogue as it once was. It brings much needed solace and repose to crowded lives. It is reported that a well-known man occupying a position of influence recently said, "I used to read a good deal, but I wanted something to occupy my mind, so I took to cards." If

six thousand successful men were to say the same thing, the lasting and weighty influence for good of a well selected library would remain.

I may well quote here a quaint bit of advice which can be used as a plea for making constant use of libraries. "The best motto for a long and healthy life is—verify your references."

The world will never forgive the German soldiers who set fire to the library of Louvain University, and destroyed irreparably the architectural beauties of Ypres.

A special meeting of this Grand Lodge was called on September, 1920, for the purpose of receiving the Masons who came to Toronto to attend the Annual Meeting of the Imperial Chamber of Commerce, and at that meeting the following visiting brethren were made Honorary Members of this Grand body with the rank mentioned:

R. W. Bro. the Right Honorable Lord Desborough, K.C.V.O., Past Junior Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England, Past Grand Senior Warden;

R. W. Bro. James H. Stirling, Provincial Deputy Grand Warden of Antrim, Ireland, Past Grand Senior Warden;

V. W. Bro. Stanley Machin, J. P., Past Grand Treasurer of the United Grand Lodge of England, Past Grand Senior Warden;

W. Bro. A. Cecil Powell, Past Grand Junior Deacon of the United Grand Lodge of England, Past Grand Junior Warden;

W. Bro. John Dickens, Past Grand Standard Bearer of the United Grand Lodge of England, Past Grand Junior Warden.

Following that event Lord Viscount Cave, a Past Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of England, a distinguished jurist and a member of the Privy Council, visited Ionic and Ashlar lodges, Toronto, and was made an Honorary Life Member of both.

These brethren are not only prominent Masons in their own jurisdictions but they are rendering great

service to our Empire in developing its trade and commerce and cultivating the spirit of loyalty, cordiality and patriotism which is necessary to bind the Empire together, and we Masons should strive for the same end if we are to do our full duty as Masons. Our duty does not end in the lodge room; it should be the training school for the true citizenship which we should practise in our daily life. It is essential for the future peace of the world.

“United the Empire—make it stand compact  
Shoulder to shoulder; let its members feel  
The touch of British Brotherhood, and act  
As one great nation, strong and true as steel”

And even then are our duties at an end? By no means. Individual good citizenship means loyalty to our Province, loyalty to our Dominion, loyalty to our Empire; advocating fair dealings towards other Nations; spreading the spirit of universal brotherhood so as to crush prejudice, and in a spirit of justice to settle the disputes of peoples; setting a high example in all things so that eventually peace and harmony may prevail for all time to come. May we not regard Masonry as a great spiritual fighting machine? We must dare to drop that which is out of date and effete in our methods, so as to be able to mobilize and unify the enormous Christian resources now lying dormant. No lesser ideal can satisfy us. The last awful seven years has witnessed the collapse and failure of the seen. It has shown the unseen and the invisible, may it be for the world's good, in a clearer light.

May I quote from Viscount Bryce in a brief sketch of democracy in Canada. “The doctrine of natural rights overthrew the respect for tradition, for it acted in the name of justice, sparing neither birth nor wealth, and treating vested rights as vested wrongs. This was, moreover, the age of illumination, when authority, hitherto accustomed to enforce its decrees by persecution, had been dethroned that reason might reign in its stead. Reason accompanied and inspired by justice was expected to usher in a better world, with the Sister Angel Fraternity following in the train because human nature itself would be renovated.”



These beliefs made democracy a sub-religion, and the feeling of idealists was expressed in Wordsworth's poem beginning:

"Bliss was it in that dawn to be alive,  
But to be young was very Heaven."

A great deal is being said about democracy, and for the most part it is simply cant. It is a much abused word. There is a true democracy and a pseudo-democracy. The latter, to the world's great sorrow, is now having too long an innings. Its leaders easily outvie Czars and other autocrats who aim at the restriction of universal rights. In a true democracy every man is in himself a ruler in the best sense of the word, practising the Golden Rule. Masonic ideals are essentially the ideals which stand for the true universality and the only true democracy. He that ruleth himself is better than he that taketh a city.

R. W. Bro. T. B. McBride was elected D.D.G.M. of Bruce District No. 24 at our last annual Communication and died on the 9th of September, 1920. The district acting under dispensation, elected R. W. Bro. Robert C. Crawford in his stead. R. W. Bro. Crawford has satisfactorily performed all the duties of the district and I recommend that he be entitled to the rank of P.D.D.G. M.

I appointed M. W. Bro. C. Ensor Sharp, a member of Ionic Lodge No. 25 and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, to represent me and this jurisdiction at the celebration of their Semi-Centennial Anniversary held at Victoria on 22nd June, to which I was invited.

W. Bro. Sir George McLaren Brown, representative of the C.P.R. in London, England, who is a Canadian and a Past Master of Canada Lodge, London, received a Knighthood from His Majesty for his great work during the war. Canada Lodge was a Masonic home for Canadian brethren who went overseas. I suggest that this Grand Body show their appreciation of his efforts by conferring upon him the Honorary degree of Past Grand Registrar.

I also received an invitation to be present at the International Masonic Celebration held at Pembina Lodge, Dakota, on 21st June, under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, which I regret I was compelled to decline.

I have returned from a fraternal visit to the northern part of our Province. Last year I visited Sudbury, this year, Port Arthur, Fort William, Kenora, Rainy River, Fort Frances and the flourishing centres of the Cobalt and Temiskaming. It was an education, to say nothing of the overwhelming hospitality everywhere extended to me.

The Northern and Western mind is so different from the East that it often leads to a misunderstanding. The West makes a request or a suggestion which strikes the East as not feasible. So much so that it is often dismissed without due consideration. If the East would see more of Western Masonry and become familiar with its conditions and wants its views would be changed in many regards. Our West is a country of long and toilsome hauls, and the D.D.G.Ms. have many weary journeys to make in the performance of their duties. In order for the members of lodges in Port Arthur and Fort William to pay a fraternal visit to lodges in the Rainy River district they must go out of the jurisdiction to Winnipeg and start again. We of the East should pay every attention to our brethren in those remote districts. We should give full consideration to their demands. It is a great country in itself containing almost all Earth's products, it is being rapidly developed, and when it finds itself there may be another Province—and then another Grand Lodge. This question must first receive the consideration of politicians. I have studied our Western brethren, have tasted of their hospitality, and I know that they are Masons at heart and practise Masonry honestly as they see the light, and it is at least arguable whether their Masonry is not more in keeping with the spirit of universality than ours here in the East where we are apt to become self-centered and forget the full meaning of the word "Brotherhood."

The Deputy Grand Master as Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada visited many foreign jurisdictions, and brought back with him kindly messages

and fraternal greetings to this jurisdiction, which is most pleasing to us. May this idea of universality or cosmopolitanism grown until the whole Masonic world acts as one, spreading the spirit of Masonry and assisting in the establishment of peace and harmony for all time.

We, especially in the City of Toronto with its almost sixty lodges, are having many special functions, attended with much enthusiasm, crowded meetings, entertaining speakers, musicians and other forms of entertainment. All this is delightful, and there is no better thing so long as a reasonable limit is observed. The main object of Masonry is not the pursuit of pleasure, which at best is only and adjunct of our meetings and work a mere by-product so to speak.

I confined my visits to this jurisdiction. In fact I did not go out of it for any purpose save that when visiting Ottawa I was taken by my brother golfers to the links, which necessitated crossing the river at Hull in Quebec. O tempora! O mores!

The Grand Secretary has suggested that I give a list of my Masonic visitations and comment on them. I must, even though it seem ungracious, decline to do so. If I were to do so you might wonder how I earned a livelihood, and I am free to admit that I made too many for the strain both physically and mentally was so great at times that I was of little use to the lodge I visited.

It is the right of a lodge to have a visit from a Grand Master some time during its existence. Many have told me that they never saw one. Outlying lodges, no matter how small or unimportant they may be have rights equal to large lodges. A list of these visits should be in the hands of the Grand Secretary and the incoming Grand Master should make a point of favoring those lodges which have not been visited by his predecessors. To lodges in large centres it may seem a small thing to mention, but a visit from a Grand Master is veritable red latter day to a small lodge.

There were a number of meetings of very special interest held during the year, such as the celebration of the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the historic Union Lodge of Grimsby in that historic part of our Province identified with the name of Laura Secord and other U. E. Loyalists.

The conferring of the Third Degree by St. Andrew's Lodge at the request of Corinthian Lodge, Barrie, on our Premier with R. W. Bro. Grant, Minister of Education, in the Chair, other Cabinet Ministers and members of the Legislature of all stripes of politics filling other offices, was a notable event. There are many others as well to which I would like to refer were I not apprehensive that I would be doing violence to the very views I have previously expressed as to boasting and advertising. At the same time, I would be more than human if I forget these and other gratifying events of the year.

The so called coloured Masons of Ontario have applied to the Provincial Secretary for a Charter incorporating them under the name of "The Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Ontario." I have been asked by the Provincial Secretary's office if I will consent, and I have had an interview with their so called Grand Master. He tells me they have adopted that name. I have requested both him and the Provincial Secretary, to allow the matter to stand until after the meeting of this Grand Lodge.

I must again express my entire satisfaction and my personal gratitude to the officers of Grand Lodge for the manner in which they have performed their respective duties, and the great assistance they have given to me. I cannot name them individually. They have done their duty to the full, and their kindness to me has been unstinted.

Another word about our place of meeting. The earliest description we have of the site of this beautiful city is from the pen of the noted explorer Champlain written in 1613. Two centuries rolled by and it still was to all intents and purposes a forest primeval. The first permanent settler in all the neighborhood was Philemon Wright who came from Massachusetts and built a home on the place where the city of Hull now stands. In 1826 Nicholas Sparks crossed the river and cleared a farm, which now is the heart of Ottawa. In less than fifty years thereafter this solitary farm clearing became the very centre of the seat of Government or our great Dominion. What a striking illustration of how rapidly things move in this Western World.



To-day the Dominion has attained to recognized nationhood known and honored the world over for the glorious part she played in helping to save the world in the darkest hours of its greatest crisis. By leaps and bounds Canada has come into her own and attained to a world's status of importance and dignity never even dreamed of by the most imaginative of the Fathers of Confederation. Nature wisely endowed her with limitless wealth of field and forest, stream and mine. Nothing was wanted save settlers, strong women and brave men.

The fault lies, not in our stars,  
But in ourselves, if we are underlings."

One problem after another was solved. We learned to govern ourselves. An English writer fairly says, "The greatest triumphs in our building of the Empire have not been in conquest but in teaching the people who have come under our rule to evolve their own institutions of government."

Again and again in our brief story there have been turmoils and conflicts, ending safely because of the devotion and fidelity of our people to the principles of tolerance, sympathy and justice.

Nations must first learn the stern lesson of toleration and then as a second lesson just as important, that of sympathy. By these means, and these alone, peoples of different languages and creeds can work together for common ends. There can be, and there should be, contact without controversy. We have happily emerged from these conflicts. We must expect, for such is the common lot, to find ourselves face to face with other problems. We will apply to their solution the same undaunted spirit, the same love of right—even in the face of our great accomplishments, there must be no arrogance, faltering or narrowness.

"A thousand years scarce serve to form a State,  
An hour may lay it in the dust."

We have limitless national resources. Shall we utilize, husband and perpetuate them like just stewards so that as rich income bearing assets they may lighten the fiscal burdens of generations yet to come? Or will we like spendthrifts idly waste our heaven-sent patrimony, enriching it may be the few, while the many starve.



We have assets far more precious than even those, namely the children in our homes. No nation can be greater than its homes. How shall we educate them so as to give to each child the full chance which is rightly his? The best conception of education as a matter of course is that which regards the formation of character and the preparation for useful citizenship as matters of first importance.

Dr. Caird, Master of Baliol College Oxford, was one of the greatest scholars of his day. A prominent American when visiting him complained that he was wasting on the minutiae of discipline the time he might give to a great work on Philosophy: the Master of Baliol sternly replied, "I am training the future rulers of the Empire."

And what the world owes to men like Dr. Caird no tongue can tell. He and those like him first of all teach their boys to play the game fairly; honor and truth mean everything to them. No condemnation is so stinging in the mind of an English Public School boy as "It is not cricket." Boys thus trained have for generations impressed their hall mark of honor on the pages of history in India and Egypt and all over the seven seas. A few hundreds of these in fact have, to their fame be it said, governed these vast countries.

It was the training thus received on the campus and in the class room which compelled young English officers to run the risk they would not let their men run even when they begged them to take "just a bit of care," and enabled the Earl's son to bring the coster on his back from No-man's land in the face of deadly fire.

Yes, all true education is, after all is said, only character building, and its main lesson in life in the last analysis is that each man is his brother's keeper as he was out there in Flanders; the stern valuable lesson that the master and employer is the keeper of his men.

A critic, and he might well have widened the scope of his observation, remarks that the American says his prayers to the God of Knowledge and Efficiency. To make efficiency the first and last end and aim of education is a great mistake. I feel like saying a criminal mistake. If this end be realized you may have material prosperity. Is that all we should seek? Is it too true that men and nations think of little else?

It remains true, however, that material possessions alone can never bring abiding satisfaction. Without God prosperity may be attainable but never happiness.

False educational aims and false national ideals, the one the result of the other brought on the recent world wide war, and opened the flood gates of horrors. We need happy homes and true educational ideals.

In any true ideal of education you cannot eliminate the Bible. The school law and regulations of this Province, excellent in this regard, fully recognize this fact. Our trustees, if they could use the power they have, and I fear in many cases they do not, can provide for systematic daily reading and memorizing on the part of the scholars of passages from the Book of Books. Passages memorized thus early are never forgotten, and bring years afterwards solace and hope to troubled minds.

I fear the Bible has not with us in the homes of to-day the fixed and honored place it had in the days of our forefathers.

The great Gladstone is recorded as saying, "On most occasions of very sharp pressure or trial, some word of Scripture has come home to me as if borne on Angel's wings." Why should I dwell on this subject? Manifestly because of its pressing, overpowering, everyday importance.

This audience certainly appreciates the value of the well-guarded home, of the great contribution which well-conceived ideas of education make to the welfare of the nation, and of how lofty ideals lead to noble deeds.

Brethren, I am done. You have patiently borne with me and my foibles for two long years. I lay down the gavel with regret, regret for some things done and those undone. I know however, your judgment will be tempered with kindness and your criticisms soft.

A thousand times I thank you all for your constant and unfailing courtesies; a thousand sweet memories wafted from the lodge meetings will abide with me for ever.

For you and yours I earnestly ask God's choicest blessings, and I pray that He will more and more abundantly sanctify our well meant energies.

Whatever happens, to transpose a word of the Scottish bard:

"I'll remember thee, Grand Lodge, and all that thou has done for me."

FRED. W. HARCOURT,

Grand Master.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. W. R. White, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, and Resolved: That the address be referred to a Special Committee to report thereon. The Grand Master named as the Committee on the address, M. W. Bros. Sir John M. Gibson, K.C.M.G.; W. R. White, E. T. Malone, J. H. Burritt, A. T. Freed, W. D. McPherson, and W. H. Wardrope.

The report of the Grand Treasurer was then presented by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone and the report of the Grand Secretary by R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, as follows:

## GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit a statement of the receipts and disbursements and investment accounts of the Grand Lodge for the year ended the 31st May, 1921.

### GENERAL ACCOUNT

#### RECEIPTS

To balance at credit of the account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce on the 31st May 1920.....	\$	5,229.27	
Less outstanding cheques.....		2,290.00	2,939.27
Received from Grand Secretary from Lodges.....		119,779.00	
Macomb cancelled cheque.....		26.52	
Interest from Investments.....		13,248.00	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....		454.68	
	\$	133,508.20	

#### Debentures matured:

Brandon.....	10,000.00		
Brockville.....	555.14		
Brampton.....	616.99		
Hamilton.....	2,000.00		
		13,172.13	146,680.33
			<u>149,619.60</u>

#### DISBURSEMENTS

General charges.....	29,752.96		
Benevolent Orders.....	60,200.00		
Province of Ontario.....	10,575.85		
Purchase Prov. of Ontario.....	18,793.36		
Purchase Stormont & Glengarry.....	15,708.76		
Purchase Dominion of Canada Victory Bonds.....	4,722.95		
		139,753.88	
Balance on deposit in Canadian Bank of Commerce at 31st May, 1921.....	12,161.31		
Less outstanding cheques.....	2,295.59		
		9,865.72	
			<u>\$149,619.60</u>

All of which is fraternally submitted.

E. T. MALONE,

Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,

Auditor

Toronto, 25th June, 1921.

## DISBURSEMENTS

1920

June	1—Grand Secretary, Incidentals.....	\$ 300 00
	Grand Master's Stenographer (1919-1920)..	100 00
	9—Masonic Relief Association.....	360 15
	30—R. F. Richardson, Expenses to Niagara.....	11 00
	George S. May, Commission.....	10 00
	Flowers M. W. Bro. Allen.....	25 00
	R. Raw & Co.....	81 75
	H. M. Hall Association rent.....	250 00
	Grand Secretary, salary.....	750 00
	Grand Treasurer, salary.....	50 00
	Auditor's salary.....	100 00
	Chief Clerk.....	166 66
	Clerk.....	100 00
	Stenographer.....	125 00
July	2—Premium on Bond.....	12 50
	26—Grand Lodge Expenses.....	3,200 00
	Chief Clerk.....	166 66
	Bell Telephone.....	19 98
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	E.B. Brown fraternal correspondence.....	250 00
	31—J. B. Nixon, benevolent investigation.....	300 00
	R. Raw & Co.,.....	27 71
	R. Duncan Co.,.....	38 14
	Grand Secretary, expenses Grand Lodge 1920.....	263 91
	Grand Secretary, incidental expenses.....	300 00
Aug.	3—H. G. Leslie.....	154 27
	24—Chief Clerk.....	166 66
	Stenographer.....	125 00
Aug.	24—Clerk.....	100 00
Sep.	8—Times Printing Co.....	2,003 21
	3—J. B. Nixon.....	300 00
	30—Grand Treasurer.....	50 00
	Auditor.....	150 00
	Grand Secretary.....	1,250 00
	Chief Clerk.....	166 68
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	Thomas Rowe, postage.....	15 00
	D. G. M. postage.....	15 00
	G. S. May, postage.....	10 00
	Grand Master, expenses.....	400 00



1920

	D. G. Master, travelling expenses.....	125 00
	H. M. Hall Association rent.....	250 00
	Insurance on furniture, etc.....	27 54
	Insurance on furniture, etc.....	27 53
	Insurance on furniture, etc.....	21 75
	Insurance on furniture, etc.....	27 53
	R. Duncan Co.....	44 16
	R. Raw & Co.....	44 58
Oct. 8—	J. B. Nixon.....	300 00
	Premium on Grand Secretary's Bond.....	12 50
15—	Grand Secretary, incidentals.....	300 00
28—	Paper Box Co.....	47 62
	International R. R. Guide.....	5 00
	Office Specialty Co.....	108 12
	Hunt's Limited, re Grand Lodge 23rd. Sep.	818 00
	Scales & Roberts.....	94 31
	Wm. Bruce.....	52 50
	R. Duncan Co.....	164 22
	R. Raw & Co.....	29 77
Oct. 28—	Bell Telephone Co.....	16 78
	Chief Clerk.....	166 66
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	Copp, Clark Co.....	1,167 20
Nov. 22—	W. J. Campbell.....	2 10
	Assembly Hall July 20th.....	50 00
	S. D. Warren.....	11 10
	Times Printing Co.....	1,757 84
	Thos. Lees, repairing regalia.....	5 00
	Music, Grand Lodge September 23rd.....	50 00
	T. Eaton Co., Sept. 23rd.....	22 50
	Rent of hall Sept. 23rd.....	50 00
	Tyler's services.....	15 00
	Simmons & Son, Floral Decoration, Sept. 23rd.....	77 50
	Office Specialty Co.....	12 24
	R. Raw & Co.....	6 93
	Chief Clerk.....	166 66
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
30—	Postage on Proceedings.....	169 00
Dec. 8—	J. B. Nixon.....	300 00
24—	Grand Secretary.....	1,250 00
	Grand Treasurer.....	50 00
	Auditor's salary.....	150 00
	Chief Clerk.....	166 68
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
Dec. 24—	Rent to 31st Dec.....	250 00
	Ontario Newspaper Co.....	139 27
	Howell & Co.....	51 00
	Macomb, Printing, Sept. 23rd.....	7 68
	United Typewriter Co.....	8 50
	Copp Clark Co.....	24 48

1921		
	R. Duncan Co.....	181 35
	R. Raw Co.....	9 45
Jan. 12—	Premium on Bond.....	12 50
	J. B. Nixon, travelling expenses.....	412 50
31—	Chief Clerk.....	166 66
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
Feb. 28—	Milton Francis, Commission.....	140 75
	W. E. Stone.....	3 06
	R. Raw & Co.....	36 61
	Bell Telephone Co.....	17 38
	R. Duncan Co.....	47 93
	Ontario Newspaper Co.....	2,132 42
	Grand Secretary, incidental expenses.....	200 00
	D. G. Master, travelling expenses.....	125 00
	Chief Clerk.....	166 66
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
Mar. 26—	Grand Secretary.....	1,250 00
	Grand Treasurer.....	50 00
	Auditor.....	150 00
	Chief Clerk.....	166 68
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	R. Duncan Co.....	9 00
	R. Raw & Co.....	24 75
1921		
Mar. 26—	D. G. Shearer.....	30 00
	Macomb Press.....	26 52
	H. M. Hall Association.....	250 00
Apr. 30—	R. Raw & Co.....	4 62
	Thomas Lees.....	9 00
	R. Duncan Co.....	17 34
	Bell Telephone Co.....	16 78
	Chief Clerk.....	166 66
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
May 5—	Grand Secretary in full incidentals to 31st May.....	125 00
8—	Toronto General Trusts Corporation rent of Safe to 6th April.....	40 00
31—	R. Duncan Co.....	26 26
	Times Printing Co.....	60 59
	R. Raw & Co.....	2 31
	Chief Clerk.....	166 68
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	Grand Master's Stenographer 1920-1921.....	100 00
	Deputy Grand Master, expenses for 1918 and 1919.....	\$200 00
	Grand Master expenses for 1920 and 1921.....	400 00
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		600 00
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		29,752 96

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Benevolent orders.....	60,200 00
Purchase of Debentures and War Loans during the year .....	49,800 92
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	139,753 88
Balance on deposit in Canadian Bank of Commerce,.....	\$12,161 31
Less outstanding cheques.....	2,295 59
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	9,865 72
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	<u>149,619 60</u>

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

## Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1921.

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
Dominion of Canada War Loan.....	5½	5½	\$ 50500 00	\$ 50500 00
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5½	5¼	4650 00	5000 00
Landed Banking and Loan Co.....	5	5	5000 00	5000 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5½	5½	11000 00	11000 00
Berlin, Town of.....	5	5	5523 08	5523 08
Brampton, Town of.....	6	6	1347 27	1347 27
Brandon, City of.....	5	4 70	2116 04	2000 00
Brantford, City of.....	4	3 90	8173 60	8000 00
Brantford, City of.....	4½	6	4442 00	5000 00
Brockville, City of.....	4	4½	1512 68	1615 00
Brockville, City.....	4	4 3-8	1810 00	1905 28
Hamilton, City of.....	4	4¾	925 90	1000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	5	6	2505 07	2616 81
Hamilton, City of.....	5½	5.30	5196 26	5072 00
Hamilton, City of.....	6	6	2000 00	2000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	4	6	4284 00	5000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	6	5.80	5149 30	5000 00
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4.90	509 80	500 00
Manitoba, Province of.....	5½	5.30	7143 50	7000 00
New Westminster, City of.....	5	4.80	5125 50	5000 00
New Westminster, City of.....	5	4¾	5280 50	5000 00
Oxford, County of.....	5	4.60	1613 60	1509 58
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.55	3790 00	4000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.30	9700 00	10000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6½	10463 75	11000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.05	4975 00	5000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6	10000 00	10000 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4½	4½	5121 37	5121 37
Port Arthur, City of.....	5	4¾	1009 31	1000 00
Strathcona, City of.....	4½	4¾	4842 00	5018 28
St. Thomas, City of.....	4	41/16	12026 07	12148 50
Stratford, City of.....	4½	4 5/8	980 95	1000 00
Stormont, Dundas and Glenarry.....	6½	6½	15057 18	15057 18
Toronto, City of.....	3½	4.05	4484 14	4866 66
Toronto, City of.....	5½	5.40	8152 80	8000 00
Toronto, City of.....	5½	6¼	5681 40	6000 00
Woodstock, City of.....	5½	6	4655 80	5000 00
York, Township of.....	6	6	10000 00	10000 00
York, Township of.....	5½	5¾	981 40	1000 00
York, Township of.....	6	5¾	4074 40	4000 00
			\$251803 67	\$254801 09

Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce		
at 31st May, 1921.....	\$	12161 31
Less outstanding cheques.....		2295 59
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	\$	<hr/> <u>264666 81</u>

The attached statement of assets shows the amount to the credit of the General Fund on the 31st of May, 1921, and the sums invested, with the rates of interest. All the Debentures are deposited in the vaults of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the Vault Clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,  
Grand Treasurer.

Audited—certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.  
Auditor.



## THE SEMI CENTENNIAL FUND

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members  
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province  
of Ontario.

I herewith submit a statement of the receipts and expenditures  
of the Semi-Centennial Fund for the year ended 31st May 1921.

## RECEIPTS

To balance at credit of the account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce on the 31st., May, 1920.....	\$	3448 69	
Outstanding cheques.....		1637 50	
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	\$		1811 19
Amount received from Grand Secretary during the year ending May 31st, 1921, from Lodges.....		74 00	
Interest on Investments.....		5013 24	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....		79 62	
Benevolent cheques cancelled.....		80 00	
Berlin Debenture matured.....		880 98	
Brampton Debenture matured.....		578 42	
Berlin Debentures matured.....		75 67	
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	\$		6781 93
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	\$		8503 12

## DISBURSEMENTS

Purchase Dominion of Canada Victory Bonds.....		850 13	
Benevolent Orders.....		6377 50	
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	\$		7227 63
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce		2715 49	
Outstanding cheques.....		1350 00	
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	\$		1365 49
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	\$		8593 12

All of which is fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,  
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

Harry VIGEON, F.C.A.

Auditor.

Toronto, 25th, June, 1921.

## SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Statement of Assets at May 31st., 1921

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5½	5.80	\$ 780 71	\$ 800 00
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5	5.30	5183 00	5200 00
Dominion of Canada, War loan.....	5½	5½	4600 00	4600 00
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5½	6¼	837 00	900 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5½	5½	5000 00	5000 00
Berlin, Town of.....	5	4½	790 60	758 68
Berlin, Town of.....	5	4¾	936 14	925 03
Brampton, Town of.....	6	6	1263 07	1263 07
Brandon, City of.....	5	4½	4170 00	4000 00
Belleville, City of.....	5¾	6	839 07	820 28
Calgary, City of.....	4½	4½	3980 00	4000 00
Durham, Town of.....	5	5½	1439 71	1528 43
Galt, Town of.....	4	5	1695 60	2000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	5	6	1006 20	1051 09
Hamilton, City of.....	6	6	3000 00	3000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	5½	5.30	1023 80	1000 00
Ingersoll, Town of.....	4	5	891 60	1000 0
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4¾	1019 60	1000 00
North Vancouver, Dist. of.....	4½	4¾	2880 60	3000 00
Oakville, Town of.....	5	4½	4971 42	4787 92
Oshawa, Town of.....	4½	4½	4316 40	4316 40
Owen Sound, Town of.....	4½	5	940 10	1000 00
Owen Sound, Town of.....	5	4¼	2200 80	2000 00
Owen Sound, Town of.....	5	5.20	1950 60	2000 00
Peterborough, Town of.....	3	4	1693 20	2000 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4¾	4½	1905 20	1850 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4½	4½	3854 72	3854 72
St. Catharines, City of.....	4	4¼	5141 74	5319 96
St. Marys, Town of.....	4½	4.80	8658 63	9000 00
Saltfleet, Township of.....	5	4¾	4119 22	4000 00
Sault Ste. Marie, Town of.....	5	4¾	1862 64	1800 00
Seaforth, Town of.....	5	4¾	4105 56	4000 00
Shuniah, Mun. of.....	5	4	1015 90	1000 00
Strathroy, Town of.....	5	5¾	1459 73	1546 54
Toronto, City of.....	5½	6	943 00	1000 00
Walkerville, Town of.....	4½	5¾	599 88	639 13
Windsor, City of.....	4	4½	3867 97	4083 89
Windsor, City of.....	5	6	2430 70	2706 65
Woodstock, City of.....	4½	4.05	4240 00	4000 00
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association.....	6	6	100 00	100 00
			\$ 101714 11	\$102851 79

Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce		
at 31st May, 1921.....	\$	2715 49
Less outstanding cheques.....		1350 00
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	\$	1365 49
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		\$104217 28

The attached statement of assets shows the amount to the credit of the Semi-Centennial Fund on the 31st of May, 1921, and the sums invested, with the rates of interest. All the Debentures are deposited in the vaults of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the Vault Clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,  
Grand Treasurer

Audited—certified to as being correct,

HARRY VIGEON, F. C. A.  
Auditor.

Toronto, June 25th, 1921.

## Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

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### GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members  
of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in  
the Province of Ontario:

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I beg leave to present my annual report, containing  
an account of all moneys received by me, and paid to  
the Grand Treasurer, during the year ending the 31st  
May, 1921.

The following statements are herewith submitted,  
viz.:

A Summary of receipts from various sources on  
General Account: Details of receipts on general Account  
and Ledger Balances as at the 31st May, 1921; a Summary  
of Receipts for the year; Details of payments to the  
Grand Treasurer; a Summary of Expenditure; Details  
of the Returns of Lodges as at the 24th June, 1921,  
A Summary of the Receipts and Payments to the Grand  
Treasurer on account of the Semi-Centennial Fund;  
and a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements on  
the Semi-Centennial Fund Revenue Account.

# Details of Receipts of Grand Lodge on General Account. and Ledger Balances, Year ending May 31st, 1921.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Location	Amt.	Balance	
				Dr.	Cr.
2	Niagara.....	Niagara.....	\$187 00		
3	Ancient St. John's.....	Kingston.....	493 50		50
5	Sussex.....	Brockville.....	423 50		
6	Barton.....	Hamilton.....	467 35	12 60	
7	Union.....	Grimsby.....	268 00	1 00	
9	Union.....	Napanee.....	281 50	8 50	
10	Norfolk.....	Simcoe.....	211 00	6 00	
11	Moir.....	Belleville.....	549 00	6 00	
14	True Britons.....	Perth.....	264 00		1 00
15	St. Georges'.....	St. Catharines.....	286 50	7 00	
16	St. Andrew's.....	Toronto.....	902 50	30 00	
17	St. John's.....	Cobourg.....	419 00	8 20	
18	Prince Edward.....	Picton.....	322 50		1 50
20	St. John's.....	London.....	634 00	6 00	
21a	St. John's.....	Vankleek Hill.....	120 50	90 80	
22	King Solomon's.....	Toronto.....	661 00	12 00	
23	Richmond.....	Richmond Hill.....	141 50	4 00	
24	St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls.....	257 50	8 50	
25	Ionic.....	Toronto.....	280 00		
26	Ontario.....	Port Hope.....	171 50		
27	Strict Observance.....	Hamilton.....	484 50	6 00	
28	Mount Zion.....	Kemptville.....	122 00		
29	United.....	Brighton.....	241 00	7 00	
30	Composite.....	Whitby.....	151 00	1 50	
31	Jerusalem.....	Bowmanville.....	296 50	11 50	
32	Amity.....	Dunnville.....	232 00	7 00	
33	Maitland.....	Goderich.....	287 00		
34	Thistle.....	Amherstburg.....	200 80	9 00	
35	St. John's.....	Cayuga.....	105 00	5 00	
37	King Hiram.....	Ingersoll.....	226 00	4 00	
38	Trent.....	Trenton.....	266 80		
39	Mount Zion.....	Brooklin.....	122 00		
40	St. John's.....	Hamilton.....	937 00	8 60	
41	St. George's.....	Kingsville.....	264 00	7 00	
42	St. George's.....	London.....	498 50		
43	King Solomon's.....	Woodstock.....	609 00	4 50	
44	St. Thomas.....	St. Thomas.....	613 50	6 00	
45	Brant.....	Brantford.....	554 50	13 00	
46	Wellington.....	Chatham.....	489 20	1 00	
47	Great Western.....	Windsor.....	1250 20		
48	Madoc.....	Madoc.....	169 00	1 00	
50	Consecon.....	Consecon.....	86 00		
52	Dalhousie.....	Ottawa.....	783 50		
54	Vaughan.....	Maple.....	79 00	6 00	
55	Merrickville.....	Merrickville.....	152 50	1 00	
56	Victoria.....	Sarnia.....	435 50	6 65	
57	Harmony.....	Binbrook.....	205 00	1 00	
58	Doric.....	Ottawa.....	492 60		
61	Acacia.....	Hamilton.....	943 50	13 00	



62	St. Andrew's.....	Caledonia.....	148 50	1 00	
63	St. John's.....	Carleton Place....	276 00		
64	Kilwinning.....	London.....	450 00	12 00	
65	Rehoboam.....	Toronto.....	497 50	11 50	
66	Durham.....	Newcastle.....	80 50		
68	St. John's.....	Ingersoll.....	227 00	6 00	
69	Stirling.....	Stirling.....	205 75		
72	Alma.....	Galt.....	266 00		
73	St. James.....	St. Marys.....	229 00		
74	St. James'.....	South Augusta....	96 50		1 00
75	St. John's.....	Toronto.....	673 00	2 00	
76	Oxford.....	Woodstock.....	363 50	6 00	
77	Faithful Brethren.....	Lindsay.....	375 50		
78	King Hiram.....	Tillsonburg.....	225 50	6 00	
79	Simcoe.....	Bradford.....	142 50	1 00	
81	St. John's.....	Mount Brydges .	147 00		
82	St. John's.....	Paris.....	212 50	1 50	
83	Beaver.....	Strathroy.....	202 50		50
84	Clinton.....	Clinton.....	116 00		
85	Rising Sun.....	Athens.....	110 50	6 50	
86	Wilson.....	Toronto.....	792 50	27 00	
87	Markham Union.....	Markham.....	319 50		
88	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	296 50		
90	Manito.....	Collingwood.....	266 50		
91	Colborne.....	Colborne.....	148 00		
92	Cataraqui.....	Kingston.....	573 00	12 50	
93	Northern Light.....	Kincardine.....	187 50		1 00
94	St. Mark.....	Port Stanley.....	106 00	1 00	
96	Corinthian.....	Barrie.....	303 50	18 50	
97	Sharon.....	Queensville.....	100 50		
98	True Blue.....	Bolton.....	103 00		
99	Tuscan.....	Newmarket.....	164 00	1 00	
100	Valley.....	Dundas.....	374 00		
101	Corinthian.....	Peterborough.....	254 00	7 00	
103	Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines....	415 75		
104	St. John's.....	Norwich.....	195 00	1 00	
105	St. Mark's.....	Niagara Falls.....	360 50	13 00	
106	Burford.....	Burford.....	208 50		
107	St. Paul's.....	Lambeth.....	122 50		
108	Blenheim.....	Princeton.....	118 00		
109	Albion.....	Harrowsmith.....	200 00		
110	Central.....	Prescott.....	173 50		
113	Wilson.....	Waterford.....	230 00	6 00	
114	Hope.....	Port Hope.....	257 50		
115	Ivy.....	Beamsville.....	265 50		
116	Cassia.....	Thedford.....	73 00		
118	Union.....	Schomberg.....	92 50		
119	Maple Leaf.....	Bath.....	132 00	6 00	
120	Warren.....	Fingal.....	99 50		
121	Doric.....	Brantford.....	931 00		
122	Renfrew.....	Renfrew.....	223 50	14 00	
123	Belleville.....	Belleville.....	342 00	6 00	
125	Cornwall.....	Cornwall.....	210 50	11 50	
126	Golden Rule.....	Campbellford.....	205 50	7 00	
127	Franck.....	Frankford.....	195 00		50
128	Pembroke.....	Pembroke.....	280 00	1 00	

129	Rising Sun.....	Aurora.....	167	50	
131	St. Lawrence.....	Southampton.....	157	00	
133	Lebanon Forest.....	Exeter.....	140	00	
135	St. Clair.....	Milton.....	186	50	1 20
136	Richardson.....	Stouffville.....	102	00	1 00
137	Pythagoras.....	Meaford.....	226	00	3 00
139	Lebanon.....	Oshawa.....	272	50	6 00
140	Malahide.....	Aylmer.....	160	50	
141	Tudor.....	Mitchell.....	193	00	1 00
142	Excelsior.....	Morrisburg.....	128	00	
143	Friendly Brothers.....	Iroquois.....	164	00	6 00
144	Tecumseh.....	Stratford.....	638	50	
145	J. B. Hall.....	Millbrook.....	115	00	4 00
146	Prince of Wales.....	Newburgh.....	93	50	
147	Mississippi.....	Almonte.....	157	00	1 20
148	Civil Service.....	Ottawa.....	404	00	1 00
149	Erie.....	Port Dover.....	143	50	
151	Grand River.....	Kitchener.....	376	00	
153	Burns.....	Wyoming.....	156	50	1 00
154	Irving.....	Lucan.....	134	00	2 00
155	Peterborough.....	Peterborough.....	274	50	
156	York.....	Toronto.....	528	50	50
157	Simpson.....	Newboro.....	91	50	
158	Alexandra.....	Oil Springs.....	108	50	
159	Goodwood.....	Richmond.....	87	50	
161	Percy.....	Warkworth.....	120	75	3 00
162	Forest.....	Wroxeter.....	46	50	
164	Star in the East.....	Wellington.....	173	50	
165	Burlington.....	Burlington.....	220	50	
166	Wentworth.....	Stoney Creek.....	292	50	12 50
168	Merritt.....	Welland.....	278	75	
169	Macnab.....	Port Colborne.....	338	00	
170	Britannia.....	Seaforth.....	173	50	1 00
171	Prince of Wales.....	Lawrence St'n.....	51	00	2 50
172	Ayr.....	Ayr.....	101	00	3 00
174	Walsingham.....	Port Rowan.....	151	00	
177	The Builders.....	Ottawa.....	464	50	
178	Plattsville.....	Plattsville.....	70	00	
180	Speed.....	Guelph.....	365	00	5 50
181	Oriental.....	Port Burwell.....	59	00	50
184	Old Light.....	Lucknow.....	196	00	
185	Enniskillen.....	York.....	55	00	
186	Plantagenet.....	Riceville.....	67	50	
190	Belmont.....	Belmont.....	99	50	4 50
192	Orillia.....	Orillia.....	420	00	
193	Scotland.....	Scotland.....	138	00	6 00
194	Petrolia.....	Petrolia.....	234	00	1 00
195	Tuscan.....	London.....	286	50	
196	Madawaska.....	Arnprior.....	186	00	1 25
197	Saugeen.....	Walkerton.....	149	00	6 30
200	St. Alban's.....	Mount Forest.....	137	00	6 25
201	Leeds.....	Gananoque.....	292	50	
203	Irvine.....	Elora.....	150	50	1 20
205	New Dominion.....	New Hamburg.....	55	50	
207	Lancaster.....	Lancaster.....	265	00	1 00
209	Evergreen.....	Lanark.....	120	50	7 00

209a	St. John's.....	London.....	709	20	11	00	
215	Lake.....	Ameliasburg.....	120	00			
216	Harris.....	Orangeville.....	275	50	1	50	
217	Frederick.....	Delhi.....	95	50			
218	Stevenson.....	Toronto.....	417	00	7	00	
219	Credit.....	Georgetown.....	165	50	6	00	
220	Zeredatha.....	Uxbridge.....	263	00	6	00	
221	Mountain.....	Thorold.....	342	50	6	00	
222	Marmora.....	Marmora.....	158	50	6	00	
223	Norwood.....	Norwood.....	136	00	6	00	
224	Zurich.....	Hensall.....	128	50			
225	Bernard.....	Listowel.....	290	00			
228	Prince Arthur.....	Odessa.....	127	50			
229	Ionic.....	Brampton.....	306	00			
230	Kerr.....	Barrie.....	323	00	3	50	
231	Fidelity.....	Ottawa.....	500	25	12	00	
232	Cameron.....	Dutton.....	146	00	7	60	
233	Doric.....	Parkhill.....	152	50			1 50
234	Beaver.....	Clarksburg.....	93	50			
235	Aldworth.....	Paisley.....	166	50			
236	Manitoba.....	Cookstown.....	164	00			
237	Vienna.....	Vienna.....	109	00			
238	Havelock.....	Watford.....	113	50	50		
239	Tweed.....	Tweed.....	182	50	12	00	
242	Macoy.....	Mallorytown.....	172	10	6	00	
243	St. George.....	St. George.....	137	00	2	50	
245	Tecumseh.....	Thamesville.....	113	50			1 00
247	Ashlar.....	Toronto.....	542	00			
249	Caledonian.....	Midland.....	324	00	2	50	
250	Thistle.....	Embro.....	132	00	2	50	
253	Minden.....	Kingston.....	556	50			
254	Clifton.....	Niagara Falls.....	617	00	13	00	
255	Sydenham.....	Dresden.....	170	00	5	00	
256	Farran's Point.....	Aultsville.....	195	00	1	00	
257	Galt.....	Galt.....	318	50	6	00	
258	Guelph.....	Guelph.....	373	50	2	00	
259	Springfield.....	Springfield.....	251	00			28 00
260	Washington.....	Petrolia.....	255	50	6	00	
261	Oak Branch.....	Innerkip.....	61	50			
262	Harriston.....	Harriston.....	129	50			
263	Forest.....	Forest.....	168	00	6	00	
264	Chaudiere.....	Ottawa.....	519	50	1	00	
265	Patterson.....	Thornhill.....	155	50	3	00	
266	Northern Light.....	Stayner.....	113	00			
267	Parthenon.....	Chatham.....	571	20	15	00	
268	Verulam.....	Bobcaygeon.....	134	50	1	00	
269	Brougham Union.....	Claremont.....	116	50			
270	Cedar.....	Oshawa.....	307	00	12	00	
271	Wellington.....	Erin.....	176	00			50
272	Seymour.....	Ancaster.....	222	50			1 00
274	Kent.....	Blenheim.....	230	00	7	00	
276	Teeswater.....	Teeswater.....	70	00			
277	Seymour.....	Port Dalhousie.....	128	00			
279	New Hope.....	Hespeler.....	133	00			
282	Lorne.....	Glencoe.....	159	00	5	55	
283	Eureka.....	Belleville.....	314	00	6	00	

284	St. John's.....	Brussels.....	174 00	6 00	
285	Seven Star.....	Alliston.....	179 50	4 20	
286	Wingham.....	Wingham.....	163 50	1 50	
287	Shuniah.....	Port Arthur.....	496 70	16 00	
289	Doric.....	Lobo.....	225 00		
290	Leamington.....	Leamington.....	344 50	1 00	
291	Dufferin.....	West Flamboro...	182 00		
292	Robertson.....	King.....	80 00	1 50	
294	Moore.....	Courtright.....	105 00	1 00	
295	Conestogo.....	Drayton.....	179 50		
296	Temple.....	St. Catharines....	353 00	12 00	
297	Preston.....	Preston.....	220 00	6 00	
299	Victoria.....	Centreville.....	108 50		
300	Mount Olivet....	Thorndale.....	56 50	51 50	
302	St. David.....	St. Thomas.....	573 50		
303	Blyth.....	Blyth.....	131 00		4 00
304	Minerva.....	Stroud.....	159 50		
305	Humber.....	Weston.....	266 50	7 00	
306	Durham.....	Durham.....	183 10	6 00	
307	Arkona.....	Arkona.....	78 50		
309	Morning Star....	Carlow.....	85 50	1 00	
311	Blackwood.....	Woodbridge.....	77 00		
312	Pnyx.....	Wallaceburg.....	243 50	10 00	
313	Clementi.....	Lakefield.....	179 50		
314	Blair.....	Palmerston.....	238 00	3 00	
315	Clifford.....	Clifford.....	86 50	3 00	
316	Doric.....	Toronto.....	686 50	25 50	
318	Wilmot.....	Baden.....	28 00		
319	Hiram.....	Hagersville.....	163 50	7 00	
320	Chesterville.....	Chesterville.....	166 50	1 00	
321	Walker.....	Acton.....	122 50	6 00	
322	North Star.....	Owen Sound.....	559 10	7 00	
323	Alvinston.....	Alvinston.....	115 50	3 00	
324	Temple.....	Hamilton.....	671 00	13 00	
325	Orono.....	Orono.....	96 50		
326	Zetland.....	Toronto.....	612 00	13 00	
327	Hammond.....	Wardsville.....	26 00		4 50
328	Ionic.....	Napier.....	83 50		
329	King Solomon....	Jarvis.....	67 50	3 50	
330	Corinthian.....	London.....	371 50		
331	Fordwich.....	Fordwich.....	101 00	60	
332	Stratford.....	Stratford.....	458 00		
333	Prince Arthur....	Flesherton.....	117 00		
334	Prince Arthur....	Arthur.....	84 50		
336	Highgate.....	Highgate.....	114 00	6 00	
337	Myrtle.....	Port Robinson...	110 00	7 00	
338	Dufferin.....	Wellandport.....		83 50	
339	Orient.....	Toronto.....	596 50	18 50	
341	Bruce.....	Tiverton.....	172 00		
343	Georgina.....	Toronto.....	597 00	2 00	
344	Merrill.....	Dorchester St'n.	76 50	1 00	
345	Nilestown.....	Nilestown.....	109 00	2 50	
346	Occident.....	Toronto.....	692 00		
347	Mercer.....	Fergus.....	125 00	2 00	
348	Georgian.....	Penetanguishene	147 50		
352	Granite.....	Parry Sound.....	295 00		

354	Brook.....	Cannington.....	122 50	1 00	
356	River Park.....	Streetsville.....	175 25		
357	Waterdown.....	Millgrove.....	255 00	4 20	
358	Delaware Valley.....	Delaware.....	173 00		10 00
359	Vittoria.....	Vittoria.....	84 00		
360	Muskoka.....	Bracebridge.....	151 50	1 00	
361	Waverly.....	Guelph.....	495 50	2 00	
362	Maple Leaf.....	Tara.....	104 50		
364	Dufferin.....	Melbourne.....	92 50		
367	St. George.....	Toronto.....	595 00		
368	Salem.....	Brockville.....	310 50	6 00	
369	Mimico.....	Lambton Mills.....	264 00	13 50	
370	Harmony.....	Delta.....	105 50	1 00	
371	Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa.....	399 00	3 50	
372	Palmer.....	Bridgeburg.....	214 50	13 00	
373	Copestone.....	Welland.....	234 00		
374	Keene.....	Keene.....	42 50		
375	Lorne.....	Omeme.....	133 00		
376	Unity.....	Huntsville.....	204 50	11 00	
377	Lorne.....	Shelburne.....	140 00		
378	King Solomon's.....	London.....	567 25	2 00	
379	Middlesex.....	Bryanston.....	74 00		
380	Union.....	London.....	426 50		
382	Doric.....	Hamilton.....	578 50	13 00	
383	Henderson.....	Winchester.....	150 50		
384	Alpha.....	Toronto.....	645 50		
385	Spry.....	Beeton.....	112 50		1 00
386	McColl.....	West Lorne.....	181 50	1 00	
387	Landsowne.....	Lansdowne.....	93 00		
388	Henderson.....	Ilderton.....	129 50		
389	Crystal Fountain.....	North Augusta.....	142 50		
390	Florence.....	Florence.....	83 50		
391	Howard.....	Ridgetown.....	206 50	5 50	
392	Huron.....	Camlachie.....	127 00		
393	Forest.....	Chesley.....	126 50	6 00	
394	King Solomon.....	Thamesford.....	138 50		
395	Parvaim.....	Comber.....	108 50	5 00	
396	Cedar.....	Warton.....	182 00		
397	Leopold.....	Brigden.....	143 25	1 00	
398	Victoria.....	Kirkfield.....	90 50	3 00	
399	Moffatt.....	Harrietsville.....	107 00		
400	Oakville.....	Oakville.....	240 00	1 00	
401	Craig.....	Deseronto.....	149 50		
402	Central.....	Essex.....	288 50		
403	Windsor.....	Windsor.....	721 50	1 00	
404	Lorne.....	Tamworth.....	141 00		1 50
405	Mattawa.....	Mattawa.....	118 50		
406	Spry.....	Fenelon Falls.....	142 10		50
408	Murray.....	Beaverton.....	144 30		
409	Golden Rule.....	Gravenhurst.....	142 50		
410	Zeta.....	Toronto.....	572 00	13 50	
411	Rodney.....	Rodney.....	82 50		
412	Keystone.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	562 10	5 00	
413	Naphtali.....	Tilbury.....	133 00		
414	Pequonga.....	Kenora.....	354 00	7 00	
415	Fort William.....	Fort William.....	452 50	5 00	



416	Lyn.....	Lyn.....	83 50	
417	Keewatin.....	Keewatin.....	124 50	3 50
418	Maxville.....	Maxville.....	130 00	3 00
419	Liberty.....	Sarnia.....	134 00	6 00
420	Nipissing.....	North Bay.....	391 00	6 00
421	Scott.....	Grand Valley.....	150 00	5 00
422	Star of the East.....	Bothwell.....	114 50	
423	Strong.....	Sundridge.....	116 00	
424	Doric.....	Pickering.....	58 00	
425	St. Clair.....	Sombra.....	131 00	60
426	Stanley.....	Toronto.....	605 50	25 00
427	Nickel.....	Sudbury.....	427 50	9 00
428	Fidelity.....	Port Perry.....	196 50	50
429	Port Elgin.....	Port Elgin.....	112 00	
430	Acacia.....	Toronto.....	464 00	1 00
431	Moravian.....	Cargill.....	68 50	
432	Hanover.....	Hanover.....	158 10	1 00
433	Bonnechere.....	Eganville.....	121 50	6 00
434	Algonquin.....	Emsdale.....	128 00	
435	Havelock.....	Havelock.....	197 00	
436	Burns.....	Hepworth.....	96 00	
437	Tuscan.....	Sarnia.....	454 50	
438	Harmony.....	Toronto.....	648 50	24 50
439	Alexandria.....	Alexandria.....	107 00	
440	Arcadia.....	Minden.....	72 00	50
441	Westport.....	Westport.....	125 00	
442	Dymont.....	Thessalon.....	147 00	
443	Powassan.....	Powassan.....	86 00	
444	Nitetis.....	Creemore.....	110 50	1 00
445	Lake of the Woods.....	Kenora.....	101 00	
446	Granite.....	Fort Francis.....	167 50	
447	Sturgeon Falls.....	Sturgeon Falls.....	105 50	7 00
448	Xenophon.....	Wheatley.....	95 00	
449	Dundalk.....	Dundalk.....	105 50	
450	Hawkesbury.....	Hawkesbury.....	135 00	6 00
451	Somerville.....	Hinmount.....	100 00	
452	Avonmore.....	Avonmore.....	145 00	
453	Royal.....	Fort William.....	229 00	4 00
454	Corona.....	Burk's Falls.....	113 00	
455	Doric.....	Little Current.....	146 70	
456	Elma.....	Monkton.....	60 00	
457	Century.....	Merlin.....	171 50	
458	Wales.....	Wales.....	133 50	
459	Cobden.....	Cobden.....	159 50	
460	Rideau.....	Seeley's Bay.....	119 50	
461	Ionic.....	Rainy River.....	108 50	6 50
462	Temiscaming.....	New Liskeard.....	178 50	
463	North Entrance.....	Haliburton.....	149 50	75
464	King Edward.....	Sunderland.....	146 10	
465	Carleton.....	Carp.....	98 00	11 00
466	Coronation.....	Elmvale.....	120 00	
467	Tottenham.....	Tottenham.....	101 25	
468	Peel.....	Caledon East.....	122 00	6 00
469	Algoma.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	344 50	12 00
470	Victoria.....	Victoria Harbour.....	164 00	4 00
471	King Edward VII.....	Chippawa.....	122 00	6 70

472	Gore Bay.....	Gore Bay.....	128 50	1 00	
473	The Beaches.....	Toronto.....	372 50	6 00	
474	Victoria.....	Toronto.....	510 00	25 00	
475	Dundurn.....	Hamilton.....	688 50	1 00	
476	Corinthian.....	North Gower.....	95 00	1 00	
477	Harding.....	Woodville.....	120 00	1 20	
478	Milverton.....	Milverton.....	105 50	4 00	
479	Russell.....	Russell.....	213 20		
480	Williamsburg.....	Williamsburg.....	78 00		
481	Corinthian.....	Toronto.....	459 50	21 00	
482	Bancroft.....	Bancroft.....	206 00		2 25
483	Granton.....	Granton.....	91 00	6 00	
484	Golden Star.....	Dryden.....	144 00	30	
485	Haileybury.....	Haileybury.....	263 00		
486	Silver.....	Cobalt.....	290 25	15 00	
487	Penewobikong.....	Blind River.....	102 00		
488	King Edward.....	Harrow.....	119 00	60	
489	Osiris.....	Smith's Falls.....	149 00		1 50
490	Hiram.....	Markdale.....	56 50		
491	Cardinal.....	Cardinal.....	121 50	1 50	
492	Karnak.....	Coldwater.....	106 50	3 00	
493	St. Marys.....	St. Marys.....	274 50	7 00	
494	Riverdale.....	Toronto.....	577 00		
495	Electric.....	Hamilton.....	651 50	12 00	
496	University.....	Toronto.....	553 50	21 00	
497	St. Andrew's.....	Arden.....	121 00	1 00	
498	King George V.....	Coboconk.....	88 00		1 00
499	Port Arthur.....	Port Arthur.....	345 50	5 00	
500	Rose.....	Windsor.....	164 50	2 00	
501	Connaught.....	Mimico.....	345 50		
502	Coronation.....	Smithville.....	146 50		
503	Inwood.....	Inwood.....	91 00		
504	Otter.....	Lombardy.....	44 50		
505	Lynden.....	Lynden.....	110 50		50
506	Porcupine.....	Porcupine.....	88 00	87 50	
507	Elk Lake.....	Elk Lake.....	96 50		
508	Ozias.....	Brantford.....	158 00	12 00	
509	Twin City.....	Kitchener.....	235 50		
510	Parkdale.....	Toronto.....	285 00	15 40	
511	Connaught.....	W. Fort William.....	169 50	20 00	
512	Malone.....	Sutton.....	144 50		
513	Corinthian.....	Hamilton.....	538 50	19 50	
514	St. Alban's.....	Toronto.....	584 50	26 00	
515	Reba.....	Brantford.....	301 00	6 00	
516	Enterprise.....	Beachburg.....	104 00		
517	Hazeldean.....	Hazeldean.....	72 50	3 50	
518	Sioux Lookout.....	Sioux Lookout.....	228 00		
519	Onondaga.....	Onondaga.....	89 80	6 00	
520	Coronati.....	Toronto.....	535 50	2 00	
521	Ontario.....	Windsor.....	471 00	24 00	
522	Mount Sinai.....	Toronto.....	373 00	27 00	
523	Royal Arthur.....	Peterborough.....	151 50		4 50
524	Mississauga.....	Port Credit.....	128 50	6 00	
525	Temple.....	Toronto.....	375 50	27 00	
526	Ionic.....	Westboro.....	200 00	5 50	
527	Espanola.....	Espanola.....	97 00	60	

528	Golden Beaver.....	Timmins.....	162	50	1	00
529	Myra.....	Komoka.....	60	50		50
530	Cochrane.....	Cochrane.....	131	00	7	00
531	High Park.....	Toronto.....	796	50	27	00
532	Canada.....	Toronto.....	481	50	1	00
533	Shamrock.....	Toronto.....	470	50	3	00
534	Englehart.....	Englehart.....	130	00	3	00
535	Phoenix.....	Fonthill.....	101	50		50
536	Algonquin.....	Copper Cliff.....	97	50	6	00
537	Ulster.....	Toronto.....	672	60	25	00
538	Earl Kitchener.....	Port McNicoll.....	74	50	4	00
539	Waterloo.....	Waterloo.....	167	25	12	00
540	Abitibi.....	Iroquois Falls.....	146	00	13	00
541	Tuscan.....	Toronto.....	569	75	26	00
542	Metropolitan.....	Toronto.....	243	50		
543	Imperial.....	Toronto.....	310	00	1	00
544	Lincoln.....	Abingdon.....	81	00		
545	John Ross R't'son.....	Toronto.....	433	00	32	00
546	Talbot.....	St. Thomas.....	391	50	1	00
547	Victory.....	Toronto.....	231	00	5	00
548	General Mercer.....	Toronto.....	458	00	3	00
549	Ionic.....	Hamilton.....	237	75	14	00
550	Buchanan.....	Hamilton.....	297	50	6	00
551	Tuscan.....	Hamilton.....	373	00	13	00
552	Queen City.....	Toronto.....	560	50	25	00
553	Oakwood.....	Toronto.....	309	90	26	60
554	Border Cities.....	Windsor.....	180	00		
555	Wardrope.....	Hamilton.....	501	50	9	00
556	Nation.....	Spencerville.....	85	50		
557	Finch.....	Finch.....	120	00	1	50
558	Sidney Albert Luke.....	Ottawa.....	170	50	8	00
559	Palestine.....	Toronto.....	497	50	13	50
560	St. Andrew's.....	Ottawa.....	177	00	26	00
561	Acacia.....	Westboro.....	108	00	6	00
562	Hamilton.....	Hamilton.....	412	10	25	00
563	Victory.....	Chatham.....	389	00		
564	Ashlar.....	Ottawa.....	215	00		
565	Kilwinning.....	Toronto.....	466	40	37	00
566	King Hiram.....	Toronto.....	263	50	20	25
567	St. Aidan's.....	Toronto.....	92	25		
568	Hullett.....	Londesboro.....	67	00		
569	Doric.....	Lakeside.....	98	50		
570	Dufferin.....	Toronto.....	158	50	14	00
571	Antiquity.....	Toronto.....	128	50	12	50
572	Mizpah.....	Toronto.....	351	00	25	00
573	Adoniram.....	Niagara Falls.....	52	00	24	00
574	Craig.....	Ailsa Craig.....	27	50	12	50
575	Fidelity.....	Toronto.....	25	00	20	00
576	Mimosa.....	Toronto.....	20	00	24	00
577	St. Clair.....	Toronto.....			42	50
578	Queen's.....	Kingston.....	30	00		10 00
579	Harmony.....	Windsor.....	20	00	12	00
580	Acacia.....	London.....	20	00		
581	Harcourt.....	Toronto.....			33	50
582	Sunnyside.....	Toronto.....			20	00
582	Transportation.....	Toronto.....			20	00

U.D. Royal Edward.....Kingston.....	20 00
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Total Receipts from Lodges.....	\$118645 75
Sundries.....	968 25
Interest.....	13098 57
Debentures matured.....	13172 13
Net Profit on Exchange on Province of Ontario Debentures.....	769 11
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	<u>\$146653 81</u>

**GENERAL ACCOUNT**  
**SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS**  
**YEAR ENDED MAY 31st., 1921**

Fees, Registration of initiations.....	\$ 26523 00
Fees, Registration of affiliations.....	910 00
Dues.....	77798 50
Certificates.....	108 00
Constitutions.....	4556 00
Ceremonies.....	159 00
Dispensations.....	1068 00
Commutations of Dues.....	7160 00
Warrants.....	240 00
Musical Rituals.....	172 25
Miscellaneous.....	919 25
Net profit on Exchange Province of Ontario	
Bonds.....	769 11
	<u>\$120383 11</u>

**Interest on Debentures and Bank Account:**

Dominion of Canada War Loans.....	\$3052 50
Landed Banking and Loan Co.,.....	250 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	577 50
Town of Berlin.....	276 15
Town of Brampton.....	117 86
City of Brandon.....	343 20
City of Brantford.....	585 00
City of Brockville.....	180 68
City of Hamilton.....	1149 84
Town of Kincardine.....	25 00
Province of Manitoba.....	385 00
City of New Westminster.....	500 00
County of Oxford.....	75 48
Province of Ontario.....	682 19
City of Peterborough.....	230 46
City of Port Arthur.....	50 00
City of Strathcona.....	225 82
City of St. Thomas.....	485 95
City of Stratford.....	45 00
City of Toronto.....	1025 48
City of Woodstock.....	275 00
Township of York.....	895 00
U.S. Exchange on Bonds and Commission.....	196 77
Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry.....	1054 01
Bank Interest.....	454 68
	<u>13098 57</u>

**Total Revenue General Account:** **\$133481 68**

***Debentures matured and paid—***

Town of Brampton.....	616 99
City of Brandon.....	10000 00
City of Brockville.....	555 14
City of Hamilton.....	2000 00
	<u>\$ 13172 13</u>
	<u>\$146653 18</u>



## SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED MAY 31st., 1921

E. T. Malone, Grand Treasurer, salary to 31st March, 1921.....	\$ 200 00
W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary, salary to 31st March, 1921.....	4500 00
H. Vigeon, Auditor, salary to 31st, March 1921..	550 00
W. J. Attig, Chief Clerk, salary to 31st, May, 1921.....	2000 00
J. Place, Stenographer, salary to 31st., May, 1921.....	1500 00
F. J. Brown, Clerk, salary to 31st May, 1921.....	1200 00
Incidental Expenses, Grand Secretary's office.....	1225 00
Printing and Stationery.....	777 80
Publication Annual Proceedings.....	2091 09
Constitutions and Ceremonies.....	3963 78
Certificates and Warrants.....	1274 18
Telephone Service.....	70 92
Insurance on furniture, books, regalia and premium on bonds of Grand Secretary and Chief Clerk.....	141 85
Safety Deposit Box rental, Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	40 00
Office Rent, Hamilton Masonic Hall Assoc.....	1000 00
Postage on Proceedings.....	169 00
Postage for Chairman of Committees.....	40 00
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes at Niagara Falls.....	3692 38
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1200 00
Expenses of Inspector of Benevolent Grants....	412 50
Memorial Tributes.....	25 00
E. B. Brown, Chairman of Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.....	250 00
Allowance to M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master 1920-1921.....	1000 00
Stenographer for Grand Master 1919-1920.....	100 00
Stenographer for Grand Master 1920-1921.....	100 00
Allowance to R.W. Bro. W.N. Ponton, D.G.M..	250 00
Office Specialty Co., filing cabinets.....	120 36
Repairs to Regalia.....	22 50
Expenses of Special Meeting of Grand Lodge at Toronto.....	1299 18
Expenses of Commission at Rainy River.....	140 75
Expenses of Commission, Dalhousie Lodge, Ottawa.....	10 00
United States and Canada Masonic Relief Association.....	360 15
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	\$ 29726 44
Benevolent Grants.....	60200 00
Debentures purchased.....	49800 92
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	\$139727 36

## SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY, 31st., 1921

## CAPITAL ACCOUNT

*Additional contribution from Lodges—*

No. 77 Faithful Brethren, Lindsay.....	29 00	
No. 463. North Entrance, Haliburton.....	45 00	
		74 00

*Debentures matured—*

Town of Berlin.....	956 65	
Town of Brampton.....	578 42	
		1535 07

## REVENUE ACCOUNT

Interest on Investment and bank account as per detailed statement.....	5092 86
	<hr/> \$ 6701 93

## SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

## REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED MAY 31., st1921

## RECEIPTS

Balance at Credit May 31st, 1920.....	\$1787 00
<i>Interest on Investments—</i>	
Dominion of Canada War Loans.....	\$ 606 50
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	262 50
Town of Berlin.....	132 02
Town of Brampton.....	110 50
City of Brandon.....	200 00
City of Belleville.....	49 22
City of Calgary.....	180 00
Town of Durham.....	76 42
Town of Galt.....	80 00
City of Hamilton.....	287 56
Town of Ingersoll.....	40 00
Town of Kincardine.....	50 00
North Vancouver, District of.....	135 00
Town of Oakville.....	239 37
Town of Oshawa.....	194 24
Town of Owen Sound.....	245 00
Town of Peterborough.....	321 34
City of St. Catharines.....	212 80
Town of St. Mary's.....	405 00
Township of Saltfleet.....	200 00
Town of Sault Ste. Marie.....	90 00
Town of Seaforth.....	200 00
Municipality of Shuniah.....	50 00
Town of Strathroy.....	77 32
City of Toronto.....	55 00

Town of Walkerville.....	28 76	
City of Windsor.....	298 69	
City of Woodstock.....	180 00	
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association.....	6 00	
Canadian Bank of Commerce, Interest.....	79 62	
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		5092 86
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		6879 86

## DISBURSEMENTS

Grants for Benevolence.....	\$6297 50	
Balance at Credit, May 31st, 1921.....	582 36	
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		\$ 6879 86



Grand Secretary.

Hamilton, June 1921.

I certify that the foregoing is a correct abstract, from the books of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Grand Lodge for the year ending May 31st., 1921.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.  
Auditor

## CONSECRATIONS

The following lodges have been constituted and consecrated, viz:—

Ionic Lodge, No. 549, Hamilton, by R. W. Bro. H. A. Graham, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, September 1st., 1920.

Buchanan Lodge No. 550, Hamilton, by R. W. Bro. H. A. Graham, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, September 2nd, 1920.

Tuscan Lodge No. 551, Hamilton, by R. W. Bro. H. A. Graham, D.D.G.M., on Saturday, September 11th 1920

Hamilton Lodge No. 562, Hamilton, by R. W. Bro. H. A. Graham, D.D.G.M., Monday, September 13th., 1920.

Wardrope Lodge No. 555, Hamilton, by M. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, P.G.M., on Monday, September 27th., 1920.

Acacia Lodge No. 561, Westboro', by R. W. Bro. E. S. Macphail, D.D.G.M., on Saturday, October 2nd., 1920.

Sidney Albert Luke Lodge No. 558, Ottawa, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Wednesday October 6th., 1920.

Ashlar Lodge No. 564, Ottawa, by R. W. Bro. E. S. Macphail, D.D.G.M., on Saturday, October 9th., 1920

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 560, Ottawa, by R. W. Bro. E. S. Macphail, on Saturday, October 9th., 1920.

Victory Lodge No. 563, Chatham, by R. W. Bro. J. F. Reid, D. D. G. M., on Monday, October 18th., 1920.

Border Cities Lodge No. 554, Windsor, by R. W. Bro. J. F. Reid, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, October 20th., 1920.

Palestine Lodge No. 559, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Wednesday, October, 27th., 1920.

Queen City Lodge No. 552, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Wednesday, November 3rd., 1920.

Oakwood Lodge No. 553, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Monday, November 8th, 1920.

Kilwinning Lodge No. 565, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Wednesday, November 10th., 1920.

King Hiram Lodge No. 566, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Monday, November 15th., 1920.

St. Aidan's Lodge No. 567, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Friday, November 19th., 1920.

Nation Lodge No. 566, Spencerville, by R. W. Bro. W. C. Johnson, D.D.G.M., on Friday, November 26th, 1920.

Finch Lodge No. 557, Finch, by R. W. Bro. John D. Harkness, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, December 8th., 1920.

## DEDICATIONS

The following lodges have been dedicated, viz:

Buchanan Lodge No. 550, Hamilton, by R. W. Bro. H. A. Graham, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, September 2nd., 1920.

Onondaga Lodge No. 519, Onondaga, by R. W. Bro. D. E. Russell, D.D.G.M., on Friday, September 24th., 1920.

Nation Lodge No. 556, Spencerville, by R. W. Bro. W. C. Johnson, D.D.G.M., on Friday, November 26th., 1920.

Lyn Lodge No. 416, Lyn, by R. W. Bro. W. C. Johnson, D.D.G.M., on Monday, November 29th., 1920.

Finch Lodge No. 557, Finch, by R. W. Bro. John D. Harkness, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, December 8th., 1920.



Union Lodge No. 7, Grimsby, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Friday, December 17th., 1920.

Victoria Lodge No. 56, Tuscan Lodge No. 437 and Liberty Lodge No. 419, Sarnia, by R. W. Bro. W. H. Hunt, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, January 26th., 1921.

Haileybury Lodge No. 485, Haileybury, by R. W. Bro. F. H. Todd, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, March 3rd., 1921.

Parkdale Lodge No. 510, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Friday, April 29th., 1921.

True Britons Lodge No. 14, Perth, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Friday, May 6th., 1921.

Malone Lodge No. 512, Sutton W., by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, P.G.M., on Friday, May 6th., 1921.

Madawaska Lodge No. 196, Arnprior, by R. W. Bro. E. S. Macphail, D.D.G.M., on Monday, May 30th., 1921.

Excelsior Lodge No. 142, Morrisburg, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Friday, June 3rd., 1921.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 409, Gravenhurst, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Thursday, June 16th., 1921.

Victoria Lodge No. 398, Kirkfield, by R. W. Bro. H. J. Townley, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, June 22nd., 1921.

Ionic Lodge No. 461, Rainy River, by M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master, on Thursday June 23rd., 1921.

### GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Upon the nomination of the M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, the following brethren have been appointed to represent foreign Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge, viz:—

R. W. Bro. Hon. R. H. Grant, Toronto, Grand Lodge of Iowa; R. W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, Toronto, Tennessee.

On nomination of their respective Grand Masters, the following brethren have been appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of Canada near foreign Grand Lodges, viz:—

V. W. Bro. Walter Kemp, Melbourne, Grand Lodge of Victoria, W. Bro. Hubert H. Hubbard, Galena, Grand Lodge of Kansas, W. Bro. W. J. Dorman, Belfast Grand Lodge of Maine, M. W. Bro. J. Alex. Cameron, Montreal, Grand Lodge of Quebec.

### WARRANTS

In compliance with the resolution of Grand Lodge at the last annual communication, warrants have been issued to the following lodges, viz: —Ionic No. 549, Hamilton; Buchanan No. 550, Hamilton; Tuscan No. 551, Hamilton; Queen City No. 552, Toronto; Oakwood No. 553, Toronto; Border Cities No. 554, Windsor; Wardrope No. 555, Hamilton; Nation No. 556, Spencerville; Finch No. 557, Finch; Sidney Albert Luke, No. 558, Ottawa; Palestine No. 559, Toronto; St. Andrew's No. 560, Ottawa; Acacia No. 561, Westboro'; Hamilton No. 562, Hamilton; Victory, No. 563, Chatham; Ashlar No. 564, Ottawa; Kilwinning No. 565, Toronto; King Hiram No. 566, Toronto; St. Aidan's No. 567, Toronto.

### DISPENSATIONS

Dispensations have been continued to the following lodges, viz: Hullett, Londesboro; Doric, Lakeside; Dufferin, Toronto; Antiquity, Toronto; Mizpah, Toronto.

Dispensations have been granted to new lodges as follows: Adoniram, Niagara Falls; Craig, Ailsa Craig; Fidelity, Toronto; Mimosa, Toronto; St. Clair, Toronto; Queen's, Kingston; Acacia, London; Harmony, Windsor; Harcourt, Toronto; Sunnyside, Toronto; Transportation, Toronto; Royal Edward, Kingston; Kaministiquia, Fort William; War Veterans, Toronto; Patricia, Toronto.



*W. W. Logan*

Grand Secretary.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and Resolved, That the Reports of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Secretary then presented the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters and it was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by the Grand Secretary and Resolved, That the Reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

# Reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

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## ERIE DISTRICT No. 1

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and  
Members of The Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of  
Canada, in the Province of Ontario;

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I am able to report that Masonry in Erie District, No. 1. is still in a very flourishing condition. There are nineteen lodges in in this District extending from Blenheim to Windsor which is the most southern part of the Dominion of Canada and one of the richest and best garden spots in our fair country. The brethren who live on some of these wonderful farms are doing their utmost to outdo the brethren in the cities and in many cases are meeting with great success. I was indeed surprised to find so many young farmer brethren filling offices in the different lodges and I must say they are doing their work wonderfully well.

I want to congratulate the lodges in Windsor on their united efforts in building a Masonic Temple, the corner stone of which is to be laid on the 9th of July by M. W. Bro. Harcourt and his staff of Grand Lodge Officers.

I am also deeply indebted to the brethren of Chatham for stepping in at the last minute and offering us their quarters for a Lodge of Instruction and I greatly appreciate the assistance given by Wor. Bros. Clements, Macallum, Davidson and Rt. Wor. Bro. Draper and many others.

It has been a great pleasure for me to have had the company and counsel of Rt. Wor. Bro. Gatfield on practically all my official visits. He has been a tower of strength in Erie District for the past fifteen years and I think a great deal of its success is due to his untiring efforts.

A few short months ago it was my pleasant duty to institute Harmony Lodge in the city of Windsor and I was greatly surprised to find, on paying my official visit on the 25th of June, the wonderful success that this new lodge is making. They are getting some excellent material and I find the Worshipful Master working all three degree like an old veteran.

A great deal has been said and written in bygone days regarding secrecy of our ballot and it is astounding how such information gets out to the public at large. Street corner talk should be absolutely forbidden.

I am of the opinion that there is not enough attention, especially in the cities, paid to the home life of some of our applicants because a man who does not take care of his home is not fitting timber for a Masonic structure.

It has been my privilege to accompany the district deputies for the last ten years on their official visits and I have watched very carefully Masonic development in the different lodges since that time and have noticed the brethren making wonderful strides in Masonic work. They are realizing more and more that underneath the surface Masonry teaches us to look for the good within ourselves and keep on seeking and striving for the divine truth or the lost word.

To all the brethren in Erie District who have so kindly helped me during the past year I extend my grateful appreciation and hope and trust I may have their friendship for many years to come. All of which is fraternally submitted.

J. F. REID, D.D.G.M.

Erie District No. 1.



## ERIE DISTRICT No. 1A.

To the most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Master and Brethren:

It affords me great pleasure to present my official report on the condition of Masonry in Erie District, No. 1 A., for the year ending June 24th, 1921. I wish again to thank the Brethren for the honor of representing the Grand Master in this District, and also the Brethren who so willingly accompanied me on my visits.

I have endeavoured to do my duties as I saw them and trust that the same kind feeling and harmony which exists at the present time will continue. Activity is manifest in every Lodge; many of them holding emergent meetings every month to keep up with the work. The nineteen lodges without exception do uniform and good work and I shall always cherish with fond memories the meetings, not only in the lodge rooms but at the festive boards where the entertainments were of a high order. I would recommend that all lodges, except city lodges, hold their regular and emergent meetings at eight o'clock p.m. and practise punctuality, eliminating the words "precisely" or "sharp" as has been seen in some notices.

I must refer to the very serious loss Masonry has sustained in the death of R. W. Brother Robert Pye on April 4th. last. Personally I miss him very much. During his term of office as D.D.G.M. he was suffering from an incurable disease, but never complained and, declining to undergo repeated operations, he became resigned to his fate. He settled all his wordly affairs and was fully prepared to meet the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge above.

### Lodge of Instruction.

On May 11th, a Lodge of Instruction was held under dispensation granted to McColl Lodge, No. 386, West Lorne. The attendance was large, about two hundred and fifty joining in the banquet, for the success of which are indebted to the ladies of the Women's Institute.

We were especially honored by the presence of Most Worshipful Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, who will long be remembered for his inspiring and practical address and genial manner.

The lodge was opened in the first degree at two o'clock p.m. The officers of McColl lodge conferred the first degree. The officers of Talbot lodge conferred the second and the officers of Star of the East, Florence and Tecumseh lodge conferred the third. The candidates were well skilled and the work of each degree was almost perfect. A candidate was examined and proved proficient in the M.M. degree.

### Official Visits.

September 24th, 1920. My first official visit was made to Prince of Wales Lodge at Lawrence Station on their regular meeting night. This is a small but enthusiastic lodge. They gave me a right royal reception and in the absence of the W. M., S. A. Love, Wor. Bro. J. D. Galbraith, one of the many past masters present, conferred the second degree in a very creditable manner. They had other members awaiting degrees.

September 27th, 1920. Visited Howard Lodge, Ridgetown. This is a splendid working lodge and a beautiful large lodge room. They had several members awaiting second and third degrees, but, as the W. M., Bro. E. R. Betts, did not consider that they were proficient in the work, the degrees were not given. A first degree was exemplified by the regular officers, showing careful training and the necessary practice.

September 29th, 1920. Visited Rodney Lodge. There was a good attendance considering that it was an emergent meeting. Wor. Bro. T. Patterson with the regular staff of officers conferred the first degree in a most impressive manner. This is a thriving lodge of young men and promises well for the future.

Oct. 7th. 1920. Visited St. Thomas Lodge, No. 44. It is not necessary for me to make any comment on the work of this lodge. They are doing first class work in every particular but they have too many members for

one lodge. It should be divided and sub-divided. The W. M., W. V. McDonald, and staff of officers conferred the third degree.

October 12th, 1920. Visited St.Marks Lodge, Port Stanley. This lodge had several degrees to confer but the candidates for initiation being out of town and the others not being proficient, no degree work was exemplified. The officers however showed much skill and practice in the opening and closing of the several degrees. Much good work is being done.

Oct. 13th., 1920 Visited Dufferin Lodge, Melbourne. This lodge has risen through the perseverance of Wor. Bro. Geo. J. Stevenson from a struggling existence to a position that is all that can be desired. They own their beautiful lodge room and furnishings. They have several awaiting degrees. The W. M., Bro. J. L. Stevenson and officers conferred the first degree in a most efficient manner.

October 20th, 1920. Visited Cameron Lodge. This is a splendid working lodge and they are justly proud of their lodge room and take great care in the work. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. C. W. Buchanan and his officers.

October 21st., 1920. Visited Lorne Lodge, Glencoe. Wor. Bro., J. T. Lethbridge and his staff conferred the third degree in a most impressive manner. They take much pride in their work and their lodge room is well equipped.

October 22nd, 1920. Visited Highgate Lodge. This lodge is to be congratulated on the enthusiasm in the work and the excellent class of members. Wor. Bro. S. H. Tolson initiated a candidate in a most impressive manner. V. Wor., Bro., R. B. Teetzel presented me with the D.D.G.M. regalia at this meeting.

October 25th., 1920. Visited Tecumseh Lodge, Thamesville. In this lodge I first saw the light of Masonry, initiated by W. Bro. John Davidson, passed and raised by R. W. Bro., E. Worth and with R. W. Bro. R. N. Fraser as critic and R. W. Bro. Robert Pye, Secretary. My visit was a matter of form and on behalf of the Grand

Lodge and the principles presented we accepted their hospitality with appreciation. Wor. Bro. Ed. Henry and officers conferred the second degree on two candidates in their usual proficient manner.

October 26th, 1920. Visited McColl Lodge, West Lorne. Wor. Bro. Alex R. McColl and officers conferred the second degree on a candidate, who might have been better posted if opportunity had afforded, but the degree work was done in excellent style. They not only do the work well but exemplify the brotherhood spirit in large measure. R. W. Bro. Webster on behalf of McColl lodge presented R. W. Bro. Conway with a Past Master's jewel and W. Bro. Kelly with a gold-headed cane. We were sorry to part.

Nov. 19th, 1920. Visited Florence Lodge, Florence. A few years ago this was considered a weak lodge but with the energetic work of R. W. Bro. Kelly, Wor. Bros. Beatty, Bodkin, Drew and others it now ranks with the best. They have a membership of fine young men. The W. M., J. D. Munroe conferred the third degree in a most excellent manner. At this meeting I appointed Bro. Rev. P. H. Streeter District Chaplain and Wor. Bro. James Beatty District Secretary.

Jan. 20th, 1921. Visited St. David's Lodge, St. Thomas. Wor. Bro. John Jackson initiated a candidate, the work being done in a commendable manner. This lodge like its sister lodge, St. Thomas No. 44, should be divided in order to encourage young and enthusiastic members.

Feb. 17th, 1921. Visited Sydenham Lodge, Dresden. This lodge has enjoyed the reputation of doing excellent work which was fully maintained by Wor. Bro. Gus. Wickens. Perfection was attained by every officer in conferring the first degree.

Feb. 21st, 1921. Visited Hammond Lodge, Wardsville. This is the lodge where every initiate has an opportunity. They have passed through some trying experiences but as they are earnest and progressive Masons they are taking on a new life and an interest in their lodge. The third degree was conferred on a well-skilled candidate by W. Bro. Garret McMaster and officers in a very creditable manner.

Feb. 22nd, 1921. Visited Warren Lodge, Fingal. Wor. Bro. S. Gunning and staff conferred the third degree in a manner creditable to any lodge. Although this lodge has met with some difficulties they are not discouraged and are worthy of our commendation.

Feb. 23rd, 1921. Visited Malahide Lodge, Aylmer. This lodge room and furnishings are a credit to any town and the members are justly proud of it. R. W. Bro. G. Stewart, Worshipful Master for this term and his staff of officers conferred the third degree in an impressive manner. They have a membership of splendid young men and there is no reason why they should not turn out an expert Worshipful Master each year.

Feb. 24th, 1921. Visited Talbot Lodge, St Thomas. This is the baby lodge of the district but is growing rapidly. Masonry in St. Thomas is flourishing. W. Bro. John F. McBain conferred the second degree in a most commendable manner. Although it was only the second meeting after installation the attendance was large and we were accorded a splendid reception.

March 23rd, 1921. Visited Star of The East Lodge Bothwell. The third degree was conferred by the W. M., Bro. J. G. Marcus assisted by Wor. Bros. W. H. Bradley, L. G. Crouch, J. A. Prout and D. G. Reid. This lodge has for a great number of years, under the criticism of our late R. W. Bro. W. R. Hickey done excellent work. Bro. W. B. Curtis was examined in open lodge and proved his proficiency in the third degree. This lodge usually divides the work among the past Masters, thereby more deeply impressing the candidate. There were many visitors, including Wor. Bro. John Davidson, now of Chatham. I was accorded the usual grand reception and entertainment and will look back with fond memories to the official visit to my mother lodge.

Finally I wish to thank all the lodges for the courtesies and kindness extended to me. May prosperity continue and may the principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth characterize us as men and Masons.

Fraternally submitted,

J. J. VINCENT, D. D. G. M.,

Erie. District, No. 1 A.



## ST. CLAIR DISTRICT NO. 2

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with pleasure that I herewith submit my report on the condition of Masonry for the year ending June 24, 1921 and will endeavor to make its a brief as possible.

At the outset, may I again express my warmest thanks and sincere appreciation to the various lodges and brethren for the honor which they conferred in electing me to represent the most Worshipful the Grand Master in this district, and for their many courtesies and kindnesses to to me during the past year, and the fraternal spirit which has been manifest among the brethren of the lodges throughout the district, will remain with me as a pleasing memory and will be a sufficient reward for many efforts on my part.

My first official act was to appoint Wor. Bro. J. R. Simpson as District Secretary and Bro. J. P. McLeod as District Chaplain. Wor. Bro. Simpson was called away by his business during the fore part of the year and I found it expedient to appoint Wor. Bro. Jas. F. Newton in his stead, and I desire to express my thanks to each of those three brethren for services rendered.

I have officially visited every lodge in the district and am pleased to be able to state that I have found perfect harmony and the best of fraternal relations existing between the various lodges, and I look back to those meetings with pleasant memories.

On October 8th I had the pleasure of making my first official visit at a joint meeting held especially for this purpose by my old home town lodges, Petrolia and Washington, where we were greeted by a large representative gathering of Masons from all over the district, eighteen out of the twenty-one lodges being represented, among whom I was pleased to note a large number of visiting and resident clergymen. Wor. Bro. Thornton conferred the

E. A. degree and Wor. Bro. Steadman of Washington Lodge conferred the F. C. degree and in each case the work was done in an impressive and almost faultless manner. A pleasing feature of the evening was the giving of the charge to the newly initiated candidate by our venerable friend the Right Wor. Bro. John Sinclair. May he be long spared to enjoy the fellowship of his Masonic brethren.

Arkona Lodge. I visited this Lodge October 21st., and found it in good working condition with an efficient set of officers who take pride in exemplifying and teaching the true spirit of Masonry. The F. C. degree was conferred in a very impressive manner.

Ionic Lodge. October 22nd I visited this Lodge. This is a country lodge whose members are scattered for miles around and on this occasion the W. M., who lives several miles from the lodge room, was unfortunately absent and the meeting was presided over by a Past Master. After the routine business was completed I was invited to exemplify the E. A. degree on a candidate in waiting, which in the absence of the W. M., I did; the officers who assisted me performed their duties in a very creditable manner and from general indications I feel that Ionic Lodge has a bright future in store.

Havelock Lodge. October 26th I visited Havelock Lodge when their commodious lodge room was filled to capacity. Wor. Bro. Williamson and officers of this lodge exemplified the M. M. degree upon a candidate in as near a faultless and perfect manner as it is possible for a set of officers to do and Rt. Wor. Bro. Paul who accompanied me remarked on the road home that he had never seen the degree so perfectly and impressively exemplified as it was done on this occasion. The officers are enthusiastic and Havelock Lodge has a bright future before her.

Alvinston Lodge. On October 27th I had the pleasure of visiting Alvinston Lodge and meeting some of my friends again and although it had rained all day and the roads were in an almost impassable condition, yet there were present a goodly number of visiting brethren from the nearby lodges and the lodge room was well filled. As it was with Havelock Lodge the previous evening, I found this lodge officered by bright intelligent young men,

who, under the guiding hand of Rt. Wor. Bro. Winns have become well skilled in our noble science. Wor. Bro. Burford, with the other officers of the lodge initiated a candidate into the mysteries of our order, in such a perfect manner that it would be next to impossible for the candidate not to be impressed with the beautiful teachings of the degree.

Inwood Lodge. November 22nd, I visited Inwood Lodge. This lodge is the youngest lodge in the district but the membership is made up of such an enthusiastic body of men that it is refreshing to be present at one of their meetings. After the ordinary business was completed the lodge was opened in the third degree and the M. M. degree conferred on a candidate, the officers performing their duties very impressively and correctly.

Forest Lodge. I visited Forest Lodge on the evening of November 24th, and was greeted by an enthusiastic gathering of loyal Masons, who take the work seriously, but do not forget the fraternal spirit. After the routine business was completed Wor. Bro. Ross conferred the F. C. degree on a very bright and promising candidate, doing the work in such a creditable and faultless manner, that only commendation could be given. After some discussion regarding some of our customs the Lodge was closed.

January 26th, assisted by several members of Grand Lodge, and in the presence of a large number of members and visitors, I dedicated the new Lodge room of Victoria, Liberty and Tuscan at Sarnia.

Leopold Lodge. February 16th, I visited Leopold Lodge. The roads were again in an almost impassable condition, preventing outside brethren from attending but there was a good turnout of local brethren and we enjoyed a very pleasant and profitable evening. The M. M. degree was conferred on two candidates by Wor. Bro. Miller in a very impressive manner, after which a profitable half hour was spent in discussing various points on our work.

Beaver Lodge. February 25th, I visited Beaver Lodge of Strathroy and was received by a large gathering of local and visiting brethren. This lodge is in a very healthy and prosperous condition and under the able

guiding hand of Rt. Wor. Bro. Richardson and other well skilled brethren we feel assured that the influence of the Masonic spirit cannot fail to be felt in the community. The E. A. degree was conferred on a candidate in a very creditable manner by Wor. Bro. Bogue and Officers. Wor. Bro. Bogue had been in quarantine since his election as W. M. and this was the first meeting he had been able to attend.

Victoria Lodge. March 1st, I visited officially my own home lodge and was received by a large gathering of members and visitors. This being my home lodge I requested Rt. Wor. Bro. Thos. Paul of Burns Lodge and Very Wor. Bro. O. S. Clark of Liberty Lodge to follow the work through the evening and criticise as they saw fit. Wor. Bro. Bentley conferred the E. A. degree. Bro Paul and Bro. Clark each spoke in very flattering terms, commending the manner in which the work was done and the splendid standing of Victoria Lodge.

Liberty Lodge. I visited Liberty Lodge on March 14th. Wor. Bro. Johnston conferred the F. C. degree in his careful and efficient manner. This Lodge is advancing rapidly, is in a good condition from every standpoint and is looking forward to happy times in the future.

Tuscan Lodge. March 16th I visited Tuscan Lodge and met with a hearty reception. The business of the evening took up considerable time, it being nearly 11 o'clock before it was concluded. Wor. Bro. F. Richards then conferred the E. A. degree. Tuscan Lodge has a set of enthusiastic officers and do the work in a very impressive manner. For a number of years this Lodge has used the perambulating method of giving the warden's lecture explaining the tracing board. On this occasion it became my duty to inform them of the instructions which we received from Most Wor. Bro. E. T. Malone at the Grand Lodge Communication last July to the effect that this practice should be discontinued. Right Wor. Bro. Carter and others spoke in favor of the practice and it is by their request that I mentioned the fact that Tuscan Lodge, No. 437, is using the perambulating method and do not refer to or use the established tracing board chart in any way.

Victoria, Liberty and Tuscan Lodges have during the year moved into the new quarters, which they jointly



purchased and now have appointments, of which they may justly feel proud.

Burns Lodge. I visited Burns Lodge on March 17th. The lodge room was well filled and a pleasant evening spent. The E. A. degree was conferred on a candidate by Wor. Bro. Hart. Wor. Bro. Hart is a Past Master of some years standing, who had retained his interest to such a degree that his brethren saw fit to honor him by again electing him to fill the Master's chair and we feel that under his guidance Burns Lodge will have a prosperous year.

St. Johns. March 22nd I visited St. Johns Lodge. This is a flourishing lodge whose members show enthusiasm from every angle. A pleasant feature of the evening was a presentation to the immediate Past Master under whose rule either as the elected Master or while place of the elected Master each of the present filling the officers of the Lodge, with one exception had been initiated. The M. M. degree was exemplified on a returned soldier, the work being impressively and correctly done.

Huron Lodge. I visited Huron Lodge March 23rd. This Lodge shows the fraternal spirit in a marked degree. The officers know their work and perform their duties with the true spirit of Masonry and are openly anxious in seeking after knowledge in our noble science. The business was done and the E. A. degree conferred in a manner that would do credit to any set of officers.

Pnyx Lodge. I visited Pnyx Lodge April 18th. Here I found an enthusiastic body of Masons, with commodious quarters well fitted for the exemplifying of our work, and the manner in which the business was done and the F. C. degree conferred by Wor. Bro. Dickenson convinced me that Pnyx Lodge is up to the high standard for which the lodges of this district are noted and justly proud.

St. Clair Lodge. On April 19th I visited St. Clair Lodge of Sombra village. The roads were in a frightful condition making it impossible for their rural members to be present and the attendance was small, but a pleasant evening was spent. The routine and degree work and the condition of the books as kept by Bro. Burnham showed that the lodge is in good condition, even though the external conditions have made it quiet for a time.



Moore Lodge. April 21st. I visited Moore Lodge of Courtright and found the conditions much the same as at St. Clair Lodge on April 19th, some of the officers from a distance and the candidate not being able to get to the lodge, owing to the condition of the roads. Wor. Bro. Preter was in the chair and after the business was done opened the lodge in the second degree and exemplified the F. C. degree in a manner which was a credit to himself and the lodge.

### Lodge of Instruction.

Held May 11th, 1921 under a dispensation granted to Victoria Lodge of Sarnia.

The lodge was opened at 2.30 p.m. and after the usual formalities the E. A. degree was exemplified by the officers of Victoria Lodge, Wor. Bro. Jas. F. Newton presiding. The meeting was then thrown open for discussion, no criticisms and very few questions being asked.

The officers of Victoria Lodge then vacated the chairs and the officers of Beaver Lodge took their places with Wor. Bro. John Nunn presiding. The lodge was then opened in the F. C. degree and the degree exemplified in such a manner as to call for very little discussion.

The Lodge was then called off until 8 p.m. for refreshments and on resuming later Right Wor. Bro. R. F. Richardson of Beaver Lodge, Strathroy, was presented by the district with the Grand Lodge regalia of a Past Grand Registrar as a mark of esteem in which he is held by the brethren of the district and of the honor conferred on him by Grand Lodge at its last annual communication.

The chairs were then vacated by the officers of Beaver Lodge and the officers of Havelock Lodge took their places with Wor. Bro. R. Williamson presiding. The M. M. degree was exemplified in an almost perfect manner. After a short discussion the Lodge was closed.

Cassia Lodge. I visited Cassia Lodge May 16th. This is a small Lodge held in the village of Thedford. the roads had become passable and we were able once more to drive and the lodge room was filled to overflowing, showing the enthusiasm of the members of this lodge and

the respect with which the other members of the district regard the Lodge. Wor. Bro. Carruthers the Master was in the chair and conferred the F. C. degree very creditably, and I am assured that under the guidance of Right Wor. Bros. Sutherland and Morrison, Cassia Lodge will always maintain the high standard of work for which they may be justly proud.

Alexandra Lodge. I visited Alexandra Lodge on May 26th and was welcomed by some of my friends of years gone by. The weather being favorable there was a large attendance. The degree work was remarkably well done and Alexandra Lodge which meets in commodious quarters of their own are to be congratulated on their excellent prospects.

In conclusion I may say that with one exception, which I noted regarding the perambulating method of giving the explanation of the tracing board, the work in this district is uniform and I cannot close without congratulating my predecessors in office on the results of their labors.

The year has been one of profit and pleasure to me, and I again thank the brethren generally for their co-operation and help during the year.

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. HUNT, D.D.G.M.,

St. Clair District No. 2.

### LONDON DISTRICT No. 3

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have very great pleasure in submitting for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in London District No. 3.

I wish first to express my sincere thanks to the brethren for the honor and distinction bestowed upon me in electing me to this high and important office and to the lodges in the district for their hearty co-operation and also to the members, individually, in helping me to perform the duties such an office demands; particularly am I grateful to those who have so kindly assisted me in my work.

Harmony has prevailed throughout the District. No complaints have been referred to your representative. Progress in every Lodge has been noted; this progress has not been alone in the number of Masons made, but also in the general tone and character of the work. done. Dignity and decorum were the rule, not only on the part of the officers, but also the brethren. While good fellowship existed in all quarters, and the social side of Masonry was not neglected, there was also an apparent sense of responsibility and a zeal for the true spirit of Masonry which will bear fruit in the lives of the brethren in this district.

I visited each lodge in the District at their regular meetings. My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. Syme as my District Secretary. I then issued a circular letter of fraternal greetings to all the lodges in the District.

September 22nd, 1920, I visited Moffatt Lodge. There was no degree work, owing to circumstances preventing the Wor. Master from being present, the business of the lodge, being fairly well done. Prospects are good.

St. George's, London. On October 7th, I visited this, my mother lodge, and received a most cordial greeting from my brethren. The attendance was one of the largest. The work for the evening was the E. A. Degree. It would be exceedingly difficult to surpass in point of excellence the work of Wor. Bro. Dickson and his officers in conferring this degree. Each officer is thoroughly acquainted with his duties, so the success of St. George's is assured for years to come.

King Solomon's Lodge, London. My official visit was paid to this lodge, October 14th. There was a very good attendance and my reception was all that could be desired. Wor. Bro. Hale conferred the F. C. degree. The work was performed in an able manner, altogether in keeping with the high standard established by this lodge in the past. Several of the P. Masters are very zealous brethren, regular in their attendance at the meetings, and being well skilled, their services are frequently called into requisition in carrying on the work.

Nilestown Lodge, Nilestown. I visited this lodge October 26th, and received a warm welcome from my brethren although the night was stormy. The attendance was a large one. The lodge has a very efficient staff of officers. The work moves like a piece of well oiled machinery with all parts in perfect working order and the candidate receives a favorable and lasting impression of the degree conferred on him.

St. Paul's Lodge, Lambeth. I paid my official visit to this lodge, Oct. 27th and was pleased to see so large an attendance and to receive a cordial welcome. The E. A. degree was put on in an impressive manner by Wor. Bro. Murray and his efficient staff of officers.

Corinthian Lodge, London. Corinthian Lodge was visited on the evening of November 2nd. Wor. Bro. Adams is W. M. The E. A. Degree was conferred in a manner so satisfactory there was little opportunity to suggest improvement. The W. M. is quite efficient and is supported by a staff of energetic young officers.

Belmont Lodge, Belmont. I visited this lodge at their regular meeting, November 19th. When I was introduced I received a warm welcome which made me

feel at home. The E. A. Degree was conferred by the W. M., W. Bro. Payne, and was done in a very able manner and impressively. I found all the officers proficient in their work. This lodge is alive and making favorable progress.

Middlesex Lodge, Bryanston. I paid my official visit to this lodge, November 24th. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Smibert and his officers in a very creditable manner. The W. Bro. has his work well in hand, everything is in good order and the lodge fairly prosperous.

Merrill Lodge, Dorchester. At their regular meeting in November, I paid my visit, and found the Master well prepared for the work. The E.A. Degree was conferred in a very superior manner. He and his officers are enthusiastic and perform their respective duties creditably to themselves and to the lodge. There was a large attendance.

St. John's Lodge, London. This lodge was visited at their regular meeting in February, when the E.A. Degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. Smith and his officers in a manner leaving little room for criticism. The attendance at this lodge was very satisfactory and a very interesting evening was spent with the brethren. This lodge is very fortunate in having its Past Masters in attendance regularly.

St. John's Lodge, London. This lodge is one of the oldest lodges in the district, is well officered, and has a most efficient Master, Wor. Bro. Hookway. I paid my official visit on February 8th, when I received a very warm welcome. The first degree was conferred in a faultless manner. The future of this lodge is assured. They have also a very good secretary in the person of Very Wor. Bro. Booth.

Union Lodge, London. I visited Union Lodge, March 14th. The E. A. degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. Carson and a well skilled staff of officers. This is the baby lodge in London, and I cannot speak too highly of the work they do. They have a D. of C. who keeps them well posted in their work, Wor. Bro. Noble. He is always in his chair. This lodge is also fortunate in having Past Masters in attendance.



Tuscan Lodge, London. My visit to this lodge was made on Monday 4th April. There was a good turn out of the brethren. The first degree was conferred in a masterly manner by the W. M. Bro. Beard, assisted by his able staff of officers. Bro. Beard is a thorough and painstaking Master and the lodge cannot fail to progress under his direction. The J. W. is also an excellent officer. The Lecture he put on is a credit to the lodge and also to the district, in every way impressive.

Kilwinning Lodge, London. I paid my official visit to this lodge, April 15th, and was received most cordially. Here I had the pleasure of seeing the E. A. Degree exemplified by Wor. Bro. May and his efficient officers. His work was well done and left little room for criticism. Kilwinning lodge has received a great loss in the past year in the death of Wor. Bro. C. W. McGuire. No man in London probably was better known or had a larger circle of friends than the late C. W. McGuire. His masonic associations began early in life, were continued without a break to his death and he was intimately connected with all the lodge work. Great credit is given to Charlie, as he was always called, for his untiring efforts in building the Home that the Masons of London now enjoy; a real good Mason and a friend to everybody. We all mourn his loss.

Myra Lodge, Komoka. I visited Myra Lodge, May 16th, when I found there was no work. However, Wor. Bro. Foster I believe knows his work and the prospects are good. Rt. Wor. Bro. Buchner gave a short talk on Masonry which was enjoyed by all present.

Mt. Olivet Lodge, Thorndale. On May 17th, I visited this Lodge. There was no degree work. Wor., Bro. Belton opened and closed in the three degrees. This work was fairly well done. The prospects of the lodge are good.

Doric Lodge, Lobo. I paid my official visit to Doric at their regular meeting May 19th where I found for my inspection the F. C. degree put on in an able manner by Wor. Bro. Fletcher and his officers. The degree was conferred in a faultless manner and left no room for criticism. During the evening Rt. Wor. Bro. Ferguson

and Bro. Campbell together presented very Wor. Bro. Fraser with a beautiful Grand Steward's apron, the badge of his office. Bro. Fraser made a suitable reply. There was a large attendance.

King Solomon's Lodge, Thamesford. I paid my visit to this lodge, June 15th, and found everything in a very thriving condition. The Master, Wor. Bro. Hogg, with the assistance of his well skilled officers conferred the second degree in a very creditable manner and as usual gave us a splendid reception. The interest taken by the Past Master and brethren in their lodge indicate that success is assured.

Delaware Valley Lodge, Delaware. I visited this lodge officially, June 17th, and was accompanied by several brethren from London. The F. C. degree was conferred upon one candidate. Wor. Bro. McAuly and his officers are paying attention to their work. This lodge is full of young blood and should be encouraged in every way. This lodge is very promising.

Henderson Lodge, Ilderton. I paid my official visit to this lodge, June 20th, with Wor. Bro. Prebble in the chair. He is well skilled in Masonry and does excellent work. The second degree was conferred on a real candidate, he also being well posted. The other officers were also good and the charge was given in a very impressive manner by Wor. Bro. Reeve.

Acacia Lodge, U. D., London. Instituted 23rd April 1921. I visited this lodge regularly. I have seen the Wor. Master confer the first degree in London and also with the officers and brethren paid a fraternal visit to Wellington Lodge when a third degree was exemplified by them. Wor. Bro. Lancaster and his officers perform their work in a very creditable manner and the future of this lodge is exceptionally bright. Grand Lodge will make no mistake in granting a charter to this lodge.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of the lodges for the uniform courtesy. I have endeavoured to discharge the duties of my office with zeal and without prejudice have advised, rather than criticized. If any faults exist, I have been anxious

to conceal them, realising that we are all human. I am glad to report that peace and harmony prevail in this district. A year of most pleasant official relations has closed.

The hearty handshake I received from the brethren wherever I went is a great source of pleasure and satisfaction to me, and if I have erred I ask one and all, as true Masons, to cover up my faults with the broad mantle of charity and brotherly love.

Fraternally submitted,

L. A. BOSS, D.D.G.M.,

London District No. 3.

## SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I beg to present the annual report of the 4th Masonic District for the year ending June 30th, 1921.

I have much pleasure in thanking the brethren of this district for the honor they conferred upon me a year ago, and for the courtesy that has been extended to me by the various lodges on my official visits. I have been cordially received everywhere, and though the work has been heavy at times, I have been amply repaid by the great kindness of officers and brethren throughout the district.

As District Secretary I re-appointed W. Bro. E. Denroche of Stratford, who has acted so efficiently for several years.

Masonry is thriving all through the district. Every lodge has as much work as can reasonably be attended to and there is a steady increase in membership. I have been well pleased with the work of the various lodges. In no case have I seen inferior work, and in many cases it has been of a high order of excellence, and this excellent work has not been confined to the larger lodges, but has been noticeable in the smaller lodges as well.

In a few lodges the musical ritual is used and it improves the work very much, adding greatly to the beauty and impressiveness of the degree. Where possible I would advise lodges to use it as often as can conveniently be done.

Oct. 15th, Tecumseh Lodge, Stratford, in celebrating the 60th year of their existence, held a monster reception to the M. W. the Grand Master, at which the Grand Secretary and other Grand Lodge officers were present. It was my privilege to be present on this occasion.

Elma Lodge, No. 456, Monkton, was visited on Oct. 21st. W. Bro. Wilson and his officers conferred the first

degree in a particularly fine manner, and were complimented on their good work. Though in a small village this lodge is in a good condition and they have a fine equipment.

I visited Zurich Lodge, Hensall, on Oct. 25th. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Peck and his staff of officers. A very fine spirit is manifested by this lodge and I doubt not it is an important centre of masonic light.

Oct. 29th, I paid my official visit to Clinton Lodge, No. 84. W. Bro. Lawson and his officers conferred a second degree in their usual efficient manner, after which a pleasant time was spent in discussing various parts of the ritual and certain rulings. A noteworthy part of the evening's proceedings was an address on the benevolent work of Grand Lodge by R. W. Bro. J. B. Nixon, the Inspector of Benevolent Grants.

I paid my official visit to my own lodge, Doric No. 233, Parkhill, on Dec. 21st. As is customary in this lodge, a third degree was conferred, W. Bro. Gilbert occupying the W. Master's Chair, owing to the removal of the Master from the jurisdiction. This lodge has been recently equipped with a full electric outfit for the third degree, and the time-honored "Emblems of Mortality" which will be remembered by visitors for many years, have been replaced with up-to-date ones. A feature of the evening was the presentation of altar lights and a portrait of the late Bro. Tudor, for many years our faithful Tyler.

On Jan. 10th, I visited Stratford Lodge No. 332. W. Bro. Bloxam, assisted by W. Bro. Atkins, I.P.M., conferred a first degree in a particularly impressive manner. The musical ritual was not used on this occasion, which was a little disappointing to me, having heard it given by this lodge a year ago.

Granton Lodge No. 483, was visited on Feb. 15th. There was a large attendance, and quite a few brethren were present from Lucan and other lodges near by. W. Bro. Powers and his officers conferred a second degree, their work being very well done.



On Feb. 22nd I visited Tudor Lodge No. 141, Mitchell. There was a large attendance, and many visitors. W. Bro. Stewart, the W. M., is one of the most enthusiastic masons in the district, and, though no longer young, is setting the pace for the younger brethren. He and his officers conferred the first degree in a very creditable manner. At the ensuing banquet, Rev. Bro. Matheson of Tecumseh Lodge, Stratford, gave one of the finest Masonic addresses I have heard.

On March 7th I paid my official visit to Britannia Lodge No. 170, Seaforth. There were many visitors from Mitchell, Stratford and Monkton. W. Bro. Ross and his officers conferred a second degree. The work was well done, and received much commendation. W. Bro. Ballantyne, who, is one of the oldest Masons in the district, still performs his duties as chaplain.

I visited Milverton Lodge, No. 478, on March 21st. On account of the roads, and other causes, comparatively few brethren were present. A first degree was conferred. The lodge is making good progress, and is to be congratulated on having such a S. W. as Bro. Nicholson, who apparently is steeped in Masonry.

I visited Blyth Lodge, No. 303, on March 29th. The attendance was good, the seating capacity being taxed to the utmost. There were two first degrees conferred this evening, W. Bro. McTaggart of Blyth Lodge occupying the chair in the first case, and W. Bro. Munro of Morning Star Lodge conferring the degree upon the other candidate. W. Bro. Hamilton the secretary of this lodge is a prize. His books are models of neatness, and I am told he has missed but three meetings in thirty-three years.

I paid my official visit to St. Marys Lodge, No. 493, on April 5th. The weather was ideal and the attendance was large. The first degree was conferred upon a candidate of mature age, and was almost faultlessly done. W. Bro. Johnston and his officers received much praise, there not being a weak officer in evidence. R. W. Bros. Copus and Empey were present.

Maitland Lodge No. 33, Goderich, was visited on April 12th. This is the oldest lodge in the district and

recalls the days of the Canada Company. W. Bro. McNevin and his officers conferred a second degree which showed evidence of careful preparation and the junior officers will surely maintain the high standard of excellence of such Past Masters as V. W. Bro. Chrystal and W. Bro. Megaw.

On April 13th I visited Morning Star Lodge, 309, of Carlow, accompanied by several brethren from Maitland Lodge. This is a unique Lodge being composed mainly of farmers and is entirely rural in every respect. W. Bro. Munro is the youngest Master in this district, and is a son of the late R. W. Bro. Munro. An excellent degree was conferred. There was a large attendance among others W. Bro. Varcoe the first Master of the lodge, and W. Bro. Hetherington, who will likely be better known to the district a little later.

On April 18th, I paid my visit to Lebanon Forest Lodge, No. 133, Exeter. W. Bro. Dignan and his officers conferred an excellent first degree. The work was impressively rendered, and the floor work was perfect. There is a line of junior officers who will do good work in the East. V.W. Bro. Eacrett, an octogenarian, is regular in attendance. Though afflicted with the loss of his sight he is as keen as ever in his interest and must be a source of inspiration to the younger members.

April 21st, I visited Irving Lodge, No. 154, Lucan. This was the worst weather I struck during all my visits, as there was a terrific thunderstorm lasting for hours. Notwithstanding, there were nearly 50 brethren present, over a score being from Granton and Ilderton. This speaks highly for the enthusiasm and fraternal good will among these lodges. Two first degrees were conferred by W. Bro. O'Neil, this being his second year in the East.

I visited Tecumseh Lodge, No. 144, April 29th, and was greeted with a full attendance, among whom were several P.D.D.G.Ms. It was with much pleasure I listened to a beautiful first degree, put on with full musical ritual, there being more than a score of voices. W. Bro. Manson, and his corps of Scotch officers, could not possibly have done better work.

May 2nd, I paid my official visit to St. James Lodge, No. 73, St. Marys. This certainly was a red-letter night, there being present the M. W. the Grand Master, and a great array of Past D.D.G.Ms. Past Masters, and a crowded room. W. Bro. Laidlaw and his officers conferred a third degree with musical ritual and a very pleasant and profitable evening was spent. At the ensuing banquet there were many excellent addresses given by M. W. Bro. Harcourt, R. W. Bros. Rowe, Copus, Coupland, Porterfield and Empey.

I paid my last two visits to the two lodges under dispensation in order to give them as long a time as possible before making my report. Hullett Lodge, U.D., Londesboro, was instituted in 1919 and made very little progress for over a year. I first made an unofficial visit in October to discuss matters with the officers and as a result they have secured a room for lodge purposes and have it in fine condition with all equipment necessary. Under direction of W. Bro. Sampson who was moved up from the S. Warden's chair the lodge is progressing and excellent work is now being done. I made my official visit on May 17th and a second degree was conferred the work being quite equal to that of the older lodges of the district. I hope this lodge will receive its warrant at the coming communication of the Grand Lodge.

Craig Lodge, U.D., Ailsa Craig, was instituted on Jan. 27th, 1921, the officers of Doric Lodge assisting me in the ceremony. There were 32 charter members, all enthusiastic and zealous for a good lodge. I paid my official visit on May 26th there being present R. W. Bro. Boss of London, D.D.G.M. of District No. 3, R. W. Bros. Richardson of Strathroy, Ferguson of Lobo, and McColl of London, and scores of visitors from surrounding lodges. W. Bro. Gray and his officers conferred a second degree with great success and the work of the evening received commendation on all hands. Every officer had been well trained and I have seen no better work in the district than that done by the Sr. Deacon and some of the other junior officers. The furnishing of the lodge-room is equal to the best city lodges in most respects. Excellent progress is being made and as there is a good district surrounding I confidently expect that in a few years this

lodge will be equal to most of the lodges in the district. I would strongly recommend this lodge for a warrant at the communication of Grand Lodge in July.

And now with feelings of both regret and relief I finish the work of the year and hand over the gavel to my successor in office. I wish all the lodges a continuance of the present prosperity and I shall look back upon the past year with much pleasure and satisfaction.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. A. FRASER, D.D.G.M.,

South Huron District, No. 4.

## NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren.

I have the honour to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in North Huron District No. 5 during the year 1920-21.

I wish, first to thank the members of the Craft in this District for electing me by acclamation to the office of D.D.G.M. an honour which I shall cherish until the Gavel of death shall have given its last warning.

Masonry in this district is in a flourishing condition all the lodges making steady progress. Many of the younger members have come from the rural districts, there being no large centres of population. The officers in the various lodges in the District strongly impressed me that they were men of good qualities, eager to impart the knowledge they possessed to the younger Masons, of whom there are many at the present time. One of the pleasing features of my visit to the various lodges in the District was the presence of many past officers who are growing old in years, yet masonically young, being well skilled ready and willing to exemplify the working tools or give a charge to the candidate. Out of the many I would mention the names of V. Bro. Essary, Wor. Bro. Morris, R. Wor. Bro. Brown, Wor. Bro. Black, Wor. Bro. Coutts, R. Wor. Bros. Watson and Foster, R. Wor. Bros. Gibson and Hutchinson, R. Wor. Bro. Fowler, and Wor. Bros. Melvin and Richardson, R. Wor. Bro. Patterson and Wor. Bros. Barbour and Spence, R. Wor. Bros. McPherson and Morrison and V. Wor. Bro. Miller and Wor. Bros. McKellar father and son and many others.

I visited every lodge in the district at which some one of the degrees was exemplified by the Wor. Master (with one exception, that of Old Light No. 184, where R. Wor. Bro. Patterson initiated his youngest son, this was witnessed by one of the largest gatherings of Masons ever assembled in Old Light) and the work in every case was well done. Candidates for advancement were well prepared, officers prompt and well skilled in Masonic work.



The attendance at all meetings (which were held on regular meetings nights) was good; also many visitors from neighbouring lodges, in several cases making it necessary to procure more chairs. A feature I heartily recommend.

To write a short account of each meeting would be but a repetition of telling of the good work being done. The kindly way in which I was received as your representative whether in the lodge room while at labour, or at the festive board, was delightful.

Another Masonic year is nearing a close and it is a pleasure to report that I have not heard of a Masonic offence, nor even a disagreement to adjust during the year.

A great deal of credit is due to your representatives of former years for the good work done by them in the District.

I have tried to impress on the minds of the members (especially the younger members) the desirability of always keeping in mind those tenets and fundamental principles which we all have covenanted to maintain and uphold. By so doing Masonry will prove to be a steady-ing influence to this most trying time in the history of our fair Province of Ontario.

Let me again express my appreciation of the honour of which I have tried to prove worthy, of the welcome accorded me in every lodge as the representative of the Grand Master, and to the brethren of Old Light who saw to it that I did not make those long trips alone.

With best wishes to the District Masonically and to my successor in office,

Fraternally submitted,

W. A. WILSON, D.D.G.M.,

North Huron District No. 5.

## WILSON DISTRICT No. 6

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada. in the Province of Onatrio.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to present herewith my report on the condition of Masonry throughout Wilson District, No. 6, during the past year.

First of all, I desire to express my sincere appreciation at being elected to represent the district that supplied the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada. Wilson District with its historic memories has always held a high reputation for excellent work and for the friendly relations existing between the different lodges. As to the former, I am now in a position to bear witness, and the latter has always been evident to those Grand Lodge Officers, who have come amongst us from time to time.

My first official act after assuming office was to appoint Wor. Bro. J. G. Patterson, of Erie Lodge as District Secretary and Wor. Bro. Wm. F. Tibbets as District Chaplain. Right here, I wish to express my appreciation, not only to these brethren but also to all the officers and brethren of Erie Lodge, for the splendid support they have given me the past year. Wor. Bro. Landon B. Ivey is a very capable Master and is untiring in his efforts to promote Masonry. I also wish to thank Rt. Wor. Bro. J. R. Waddle for the very efficient support he rendered me the past year. It is fifteen years since he served as District Deputy, but to his credit it may be said that he has never lost interest in the work, and the excellent standing of Erie Lodge at the present time is largely due to his efforts.

### Lodge Secretaries

Before going into the matter of visits, I wish to call attention to the excellent way in which the books are kept in the different lodges of the district. Several of the secretaries are P.D.D.G.Ms. and practically all are Past Masters. This is very satisfactory, because a Past Master understands the workings of his lodge and is in

a position to keep his books as they should be kept. A poor secretary will ruin any lodge, no matter how strong it may be. A careless secretary will result in a careless membership and deterioration immediately sets in. A Lodge should be very particular in the selection of a secretary and if you are successful in getting a good man, use every effort to keep him there. After a careful examination of the books of every lodge in the district I do not see how any district could have a more efficient lot of secretaries.

### Official Visits

October 21st, 1920, I made my official visit to Oak Branch Lodge, No. 261, Innerkip, accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bro. Waddle, Wor. Bro. Patterson and Bro. Norman Holden. Driving through the country this beautiful autumn afternoon, one could not help being impressed with the thought that the Great Architect has been most bountiful towards this part of Ontario, and the wonderful green fields of fall wheat gave excellent promise for the coming year. Oak Branch Lodge is one of the smaller lodges of the district, but what they lack in numbers they make up in enthusiasm. As this was the annual night of installation, I had the pleasure of installing the Worshipful Master and investing the other officers of the Lodge. Wor. Bro. King still takes a very active interest in the work, and the books are very well kept by Bro. J. S. Hislop. A fine musical program was given by the Masonic Orchestra of Woodstock, and needless to say it was enjoyed by everyone.

October 25th, accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bro. H. A. Johnson, of Simcoe, and Wor. Bro. A. A. Johnson, of Vienna, I visited Springfield Lodge, No. 259. Springfield is west of Tillsonburg on the Michigan Central and I was very glad to have Rt. Wor. Bro. Johnson with me as guide. We arrived there about 8:15 and found a long line of cars along the street and the lodge room packed. Springfield, although it may be classed as a rural lodge, is one of the largest and most progressive in the district. Situated as it is, in one of the finest farming and dairying sections of Ontario, it has developed into a splendid Lodge. Looking around the Lodge, I was impressed by the splendid, intelligent membership and also by the fact

that over two-thirds of the members seemed to be young men. I cannot help feeling that the excellent condition of Springfield Lodge had been materially aided by the keen interest of Rt. Wor. Bro. Stewart and Rt. Wor. Bro. Atkin. May their interest ever continue. The Second Degree was exemplified and the work of the evening was extremely well done. I feel that Springfield Lodge is alive to its opportunities and will continue to live up to the teachings of Masonry.

November 2nd, I visited St. Johns Lodge, No. 104, Norwich, Ont. On account of the bad roads I had to make this trip by train and was unaccompanied. This is one of the oldest lodges in the district and it has always had a reputation for doing good work. On the evening of my visit, Wor. Bro. Haines put on two First Degrees and there was very little that could be found fault with. The officers know their work and everything seems to be running very smoothly. Rt. Wor. Bro. Hulet is still active in lodge affairs and Wor. Bro. Moles makes a very efficient secretary.

I shall not soon forget my visit to Doric Lodge, Lakeside, on the evening of November 16th. This is the Junior Lodge of the District and is still under dispensation, but I have advised that a charter be granted at once. We arrived in good time and found a good attendance. The lodge is fortunate in its first lot of officers. The Worshipful Master is Rt. Wor. Bro. Dunlop, a Past District Deputy of London District and an enthusiastic Mason, who will undoubtedly make this lodge a success. The degree work was well done.

November 19th, I visited Blenheim Lodge, No. 108, Princeton. I was accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bro. Waddle, Wor. Bro. Landon Ivey, also Bros. C. P. Freeman and Harry Ivey. The roads were not good, but we made very good time, arriving in Princeton about 7:30. This was formerly Bro. Freeman's home, so we were in good hands. The lodge opened promptly at 8.00 p.m. with a splendid attendance, and the work of the evening, which was an exemplification of the third degree, was exceedingly well done. Rt. Wor. Bro. Col. Donald Sutherland, who went overseas with his battalion, was D.D.G.M. at that time and a member of Blenheim Lodge. Unfor-

tunately he was not able to fulfil the duties of his Masonic office, but manfully heeded the higher call instead. The lodge is in fine shape and has a very capable secretary, Mr. T. J. Rawlinson. Good fellowship prevails and I predict a prosperous future for Blenheim Lodge.

On the 6th of December, in company with Rt. Wor. Bro. Waddle, I visited Frederick Lodge, No. 217, Delhi. For years I have enjoyed the friendship of a great many of the Delhi brethren and I had looked forward to this visit with a great deal of pleasure.. I was not disappointed. The lodge is under a capable Master, Wor. Bro. Smith, and is ably supported by his Wardens, Bros. Harding and Hargreaves. In fact, all of the officers seem most capable, and if Frederick Lodge continues along present lines, I can see a splendid future ahead. The first degree was exemplified very impressively and I found little to criticize. They have a very commodious lodge room and a large banquet hall in the same building. A splendid speech was made by a distinguished brother from Holland, who had recently taken up his residence near Delhi and had gone into tobacco growing extensively. I was shocked to learn of this brother's death recently, but from what I saw of this brother, I feel sure that he had thoroughly mastered the lesson so impressively expressed in the Master Mason degree.

My visit to Plattsville Lodge, No. 178, was made on the 17th of December, and I was invited to install the officers. This is one of the most difficult lodges to get to, and for the benefit of my successor I might say that Plattsville is north and west of Paris. The nearest point on the railroad is Bright, on the Buffalo and Goderich, and from there you have to drive four miles. I was met at the train by several of the brethren from Bright, and we arrived at Plattsville at 9:45 p.m. The routine business had all been attended to and the Installation Ceremony was proceeded with at once. The officers seem to be of excellent quality and are well skilled in their work. I would also call attention to the excellent records of Wor. Bro. W. R. Henderson, who has been secretary of the Lodge for many years. Wor Bro. Henderson is a wonderful penman, and his minute book is decorated in artistic style. The influence of Bro. Henderson on this



lodge is very marked. He is a stern critic of careless work, but quick to praise if work is well done. May he be spared many years in his good work.

After being elected at Grand Lodge, the first engagement arranged for was to install the officers of Norfolk Lodge, on St. John's night, December 27th. This is the seventh oldest lodge in this jurisdiction and next to my mother lodge, there is no lodge I have a greater regard for. Norfolk Lodge is one of the landmarks of the district and it has a wonderful history, but for some reason or other, it does not seem to be progressing as it should. For the past ten years, the increase in membership has been very slight. Wor. Bro. Peachey, the new Master, is a very enthusiastic Mason and is highly respected in Simcoe. He is supported by a good lot of officers and with the able help of Rt. Wor. Bro. Johnson, the lodge should show some real progress in the near future. There are a number of distinguished Past Masters in Simcoe, who are very rarely seen at Lodge. A strong effort should be made to get these brethren back into the harness, as their presence would be an inspiration to the younger brethren. It is my earnest wish that Norfolk Lodge may prosper to an eminent degree.

On the 30th of December, I paid my respects to my mother lodge, Erie No. 149, installing W. Bro. L. B. Ivey as Master and investing the other officers for 1921. Under the present officers, Erie Lodge is in good hands. However, I am convinced that much of the strength of Erie Lodge is due to the keen interest taken in lodge affairs by the Past Masters. Rt. Wor. Bro. Waddle, V. W. Bro. Bond, Wor. Bros. Barwell, Thompson, Patterson, Stringer and Teeple are all Past Masters, who very seldom miss a meeting, while Wor. Bro. J. C. King makes a splendid secretary. There is a Past Master's night once a year, and this is a practice that might well be emulated by every lodge in the District.

February 17th, I made my official visit to Walsingham Lodge, No. 174, Port Rowan. During my stay I was entertained by my old friends Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Broddy. Dr. Broddy is Master of the Lodge and although he has an extensive country practice, he still finds time to attend to his lodge duties, being a very efficient Master.

The brethren have a large comfortable room and a fine membership, composed of the very best citizens of Port Rowan and vicinity. The third degree was exemplified, and I congratulated the officers on their excellent conscientious work. A sad recollection is the recent death of Bro. Walker P. Ferris, an old friend. Bro. Ferris had planned to leave for his holidays the day before my visit but postponed his departure so as to be present at lodge. We left Port Rowan together on the following morning, and that was the last time I saw him alive. He was stricken with heart trouble early in May and died almost immediately. He was buried at Bayview Cemetery with Masonic honors. "In the midst of life we are in death" and I little thought when I saw Bro. Ferris so ably assist in the exemplification of the third degree that he would soon be called by the Great Architect to the Grand Lodge above. A great deal of the success of Walsingham Lodge is due to Wor. Bro. J. E. Biddle, secretary for many years and a prince of good fellows. Walsingham Lodge is in good hands.

Vittoria Lodge, No. 359. On the 18th February, under dispensation of the Grand Master, I installed the officers of Vittoria Lodge. Installation was delayed over a month on account of a serious epidemic in the village and vicinity. Vittoria is one of the smaller lodges, but has excellent prospects. During the past few years, this lodge has suffered considerably by members moving away, but new members are being taken in and from what I know of them a high standard is being maintained. One criticism I wish to make is this. The brethren are rather slow in arriving, and consequently the opening of lodge is delayed. This is annoying to those brethren who are on time and I am convinced that it seriously mars the efficiency of the lodge. Wor. Bro. Percy Dunkin is Master for 1921 and should make a good Master. He is one of the younger members of the lodge and is to be congratulated on having attained this honor so early in life. Much of the success of this lodge is due to Wor. Bro. R. W. McCall, the Immediate Past Master, and to Wor. Bro. John Pow, who is a very capable secretary. Rt. Wor. Bro. Waddle accompanied me on this visit and as usual gave the brethren a splendid address at the banquet.

Woodstock, March 1st. On the 1st of March I made an official visit to King Solomon's and Oxford

Lodges, Woodstock. I have always regarded Woodstock as the capital of Wilson district so far as Masonry is concerned and this visit I had long looked forward to. The lodge was opened promptly on time with a splendid attendance from both lodges. The work of the evening was the initiation of Bro. G. F. Sykes and the ceremony was conducted by Wor. Bro. Dunlop of Oxford Lodge No. 76, up to the point of signing the bylaws, when the chairs were vacated by the Oxford officers, and their places taken by the Worshipful Master, Wor. Bro. H. R. Abell and officers of King Solomon's Lodge, No. 43, who completed the degree. The work was well done, as it always is by these splendid lodges, and I found very little to criticize.

An important matter was brought up for discussion at this joint meeting, namely the purchase of new premises. This matter had been in the hands of a joint committee for some time, and this committee had secured an option on the Buckingham Hotel at a very favorable price. After some discussion the two lodges ratified the purchase of this building for a Masonic Temple and I understand the work was to be started at once. This seems like a very sensible move. Masonry is very strong in Woodstock, and it does not seem right that the brethren should be obliged to meet in rented premises. I have since learned that the money necessary to purchase the building has all been subscribed. Bro. A. W. Massie makes a splendid secretary for King Solomon's, while Rt. Wor. Bro. John W. Dutton is the guiding spirit in Oxford. "May their shadows never grow less"

Ingersoll March 11th. Two visits were made to Ingersoll, one in January when I assisted Rt. Wor. Bro. E. T. Malone at installation and the other a joint meeting of King Hiram and St. John's on the 11th of March. Masonry plays a great part in the social life of Ingersoll and standards are very high. For various reasons this was one of my visits to which I looked forward with great interest. Rt. Wor. Bros. Geo. Naylor and H. P. Stoneman are both active workers, and I recall with pleasure that Rt. Wor. Bro. Naylor was D.D.G.M. during my term as W. M. ten years ago. The work of the evening was the first degree by King Hiram Lodge and the third degree by St. John's. Both degrees were exemplified in splendid

manner and the work was not only correct but impressive. The brethren have a fine lodge room and the "Starry firmament" in the centre is about as fine an effect as I have seen. In looking at the splendid body of men on the floor of the lodge—men leaders in the community, as Masons always are, I could not help thinking what a splendid force Masonry will continue to be in the development of this country. Wor. Bro. P. L. Smith is Secretary of St. John's and Bro. McD. Wallace is secretary of King Hiram and their books are kept in first class manner. I was pleased to have with me on this visit Rt. Wor. Bro. W. R. Madill, Grand Junior Warden, who gave a short but instructive address.

King Hiram Lodge No. 78, Tillsonburg, April 20th. On this visit I was accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bro. J. R. Waddle and Wor. Bros. L. B. Ivey and C. G. Ivey and Wor. Bro. R. M. Taylor, Warden of Norfolk. This lodge is in splendid condition financially. The brethren own their building and I understand it has turned out to be a very good investment. It would seem desirable for some of the other lodges to go and do likewise. To continue paying rent year after year, with no prospect of ever having a permanent home, is not an ideal condition of affairs. I am satisfied that there is not a lodge in the district that could not finance such a proposition. At any rate, Tillsonburg is to be congratulated. Rt. Wor. Bro. H. McQueen is Secretary of the Lodge and has been its guiding spirit for many years. The third degree was well put on by Wor. Bro. Darland and his officers, and my criticism was devoted to a few minor details. A pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation of a Past Master Jewel to Wor. Bro. Hogarth.

Vienna Lodge No. 237, June 9th. Vienna and Port Burwell being close together and quite a distance from Port Dover the brethren kindly arranged to have me visit them on alternate evenings. Over half of the brethren of Vienna Lodge live in Straffordville and this makes it rather inconvenient for them. I motored over to Tillsonburg in the afternoon, accompanied by Bro. P. C. Robinson and we made the rest of the trip after tea, arriving in Vienna about 8 o'clock. The brethren own their own hall which was formerly a church. The lodge is held upstairs and below they have a splendid banquet



hall. It was a hot night and the lodge was none too comfortable. However, Wor. Bro. Wisson with his officers put on a good second degree and proved themselves thoroughly familiar with the work. The secretary of the lodge is Rt. Wor. Bro. Clutton, and for years he has been its guiding spirit. Bro. Clutton's system of keeping his records appealed to me as being about as perfect as any I had seen. It is simple and absolutely accurate. I could not help being struck by the evidence of love and esteem that the brethren of Vienna Lodge bear towards Rt. Wor. Bro. Clutton.

Oriental Lodge, Port Burwell, June 10th. Another very pleasant visit was made to Port Burwell. Rt. Wor. Bro. Clutton accompanied me and we were invited to have tea with my old friend Wor. Bro. Wm. Backhouse. These two Veteran Masons, both over eighty years old, introduced me to the lodge that evening and I doubt if anyone could have had two more distinguished sponsors. Wor. Bro. Backhouse is an enthusiastic Mason and never misses Grand Lodge. In his own Lodge he is indispensable. The work of the evening was the third degree and the Worshipful Master and his officers did their work very well indeed. The Master is a young man, but apparently has made a great study of Masonry. I have no doubt but that the lodge will prosper under his guidance. The brethren are now in new quarters, having recently purchased a fine block. The building is very commodious and Oriental Lodge is to be congratulated on its enterprise. I am also pleased to see a substantial improvement in the town, which will no doubt mean further growth in the lodge. Rev. L. W. Diehl has recently been elected Secretary and the books seem to be in first class shape. Many visitors were present from the outside lodges, Tillsonburg being especially well represented. Among the Tillsonburg brethren were Rt. Wor. Bro. H. McQueen, Wor. Bro. Raines, Wor. Bro. Hogarth and Bro. D. H. Taylor.

Thistle Lodge, Embro, June 16th. The last visit of the year was made to Thistle Lodge, Embro. As this was the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the lodge the brethren decided to celebrate. A large picnic was held in the afternoon, to which the brethren brought their wives and families. Unfortunately I was unable to be present as other duties prevented me. From what I heard



however, they had a splendid time. In spite of the heat, the evening attendance was excellent. In fact, the lodge room was packed and I was impressed at the large number of young men who are members. I was driven over from Woodstock by Wor. Bro. Dr. Stevens, and we were accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bro. Robt. Montgomery and Wor. Bro. Robt. Reid. The second degree was exemplified in good style and I was pleased to see the Wor. Master call on some of the Past Masters to assist. This is not done enough in some lodges and I consider it of vital importance to keep the Past Masters interested. If they come night after night and are never asked to assist they are apt to lose interest. I am also strongly in favor of having a Past Masters' night at least once a year. Wor. Bro. Dr. Montgomery is a distinguished Past Master of Thistle Lodge and the excellent condition of Thistle Lodge is largely due to his efforts. Wot. Bro. D. J. McLeod is also a very efficient Secretary. The lodge begins its fifty-first year with splendid prospects.

### Divine Service

I am pleased to be able to state that the brethren of Wilson District are not forgetting Divine Service. Practically every lodge attended church in a body once during the year, and for the third time the brethren attended Divine Service at St. John's Anglican Church, Woodhouse. This historic old church is situated midway between Simcoe and Port Dover and it is here that the remains of our First Grand Master, Col. William Mercer Wilson lie buried. Rt. Wor. Bro. H. A. Johnson had charge of the arrangements and he should feel gratified at the good attendance. It was thoroughly representative, most of the lodges in the district sending delegates. It shows splendid enthusiasm for brethren to motor seventy-five miles to attend church service, and at least two cars came that far. The brethren met in Norfolk Lodge No. 10, Simcoe, at 2.00 o'clock and motored to the church. Rev. Bro. A. B. Farney, of Simcoe, read the service, while Rev. Bro. E. Appleyard, of Woodstock, preached the sermon and it was one of the best sermons on Masonry I have ever listened to. After church, the brethren marched to the grave side of the first Grand Master, where V. W. Bro. Frank Reid, of Simcoe, gave a short account of the life of our distinguished brother, ending with the familiar "Requiescat in pace."

In conclusion I wish to say Most Worshipful Sir, that the stone which marks the grave of our late Grand Master is a disgrace to the Masons of Canada. It is neither level nor plumb and is most ordinary in appearance. In fact, visitors to the cemetery would never find it unless they were properly directed. Has the time not come for a suitable stone, properly inscribed, to be erected to preserve this ancient landmark? Col. Wm. Mercer Wilson holds a unique place in the Annals of Masonry and was re-elected time after time. His generosity and devotion to Masonry sapped his resources. In fact, he gave his all to Masonry and died a poor man.

### Lodge of Instruction

When it was decided twelve years ago to call the Brethren together annually for instruction, there was a certain amount of opposition to the idea. It was held that it would soon become an old story and interest would die out. However, as the years have gone by, we realize that the Lodge of Instruction has amply justified itself.

In the days of old, I am told on excellent authority that there was a woeful lack of uniformity and furthermore that some of the lodges were extremely careless in their rendering of the work. This is not the case to-day and I am glad to be able to state that the work throughout the district is not only uniform, but most carefully and effectively rendered. Aside from all this, however, I consider it a splendid idea to bring the Brethren together once a year for the purpose of sociability and enjoyment.

As this was the Sixtieth Anniversary of Erie Lodge, I felt that we ought to make this year's Lodge of Instruction one long to be remembered and the brethren gave of their time most freely in order to make it a success. We were favored by splendid weather and the attendance was most gratifying. Over four hundred Masons registered, even the two most distant Lodges, Plattsville and Lakeside sending their quota. On account of the heavy attendance, Lodge was held in the Town Hall, a large airy building, which was admirably adapted for this purpose.

The Lodge was opened in the first degree at 2.15 p.m., by the officers of Erie Lodge, who received the

Grand Lodge Officers and conducted the business part of the program. The third degree was then exemplified by Erie Lodge in a very creditable manner. The discussion of the work was opened by Rt. Wor. Bro. D. E. Russell, D.D.G.M. of Brant District No. 23. Rt. Wor. Bro. Russell is a very well skilled Mason and his remarks were much enjoyed by the brethren. He called attention to a few minor defects and congratulated the officers of Erie Lodge on the general excellence of their work.

The second degree I had arranged to have put on by Springfield, but on account of a severe epidemic, the brethren of Springfield were not able to attend and I was advised of this a week previous. I then invited Frederick Lodge, of Delhi, to put on the degree and in spite of this short notice they put on the degree in a very acceptable manner. The degree was discussed by Rt. Wor. Bro. H. A. Johnson, of Simcoe, and Rt. Wor. Bro. H. McQueen, of Tillsonburg.

A pleasant feature of the afternoon session was an ovation to Rt. Wor. Bro. S. S. Clutton, of Vienna, now in his 81st year, and over sixty years a Mason. It gave me great pleasure to call this to the attention of the brethren. Rt. Wor. Bro. Clutton is a favorite in Wilson District and the esteem in which he is held was evidenced by three ringing cheers and a tiger. Rt. Wor. Bro. Clutton, although taken by surprise, thanked the brethren for this evidence of their esteem and stated that he expected to be with them at least twenty years more.

At 5.30 Lodge was called from labor and after half an hour of recreation, the brethren adjourned to Nichol's Hall, where a supper was in readiness. There were plenty of seats for all and an abundance of food, thanks to the ladies of Port Dover. The brethren of Erie Lodge feel grateful to the ladies for the excellent way in which they handled this part of the program, and for the information of the other brethren of the District I wish to say that the supper was not put on by any association or society. We simply called to our assistance the wives, sisters and mothers of the members of Erie Lodge. They responded gladly and their organization was practically perfect. We will not forget their splendid co-operation on this occasion.

I am also deeply grateful to the Masonic Orchestra and Choir of Woodstock, under the able leadership of Bro. Peter Wilson. The music of the orchestra during and after supper was much enjoyed.

Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 8.30 p.m. and we were favored by having with us Past Grand Master, Wor. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, of Hamilton, Rt. Wor. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Robt. S. Hamilton, of Galt, D. D. G. M. of Wellington District No. 7. The officers of Norfolk Lodge took charge, examined the candidate and opened up in the third degree. The third degree was then conferred by the officers of St. John's Lodge No. 68, Ingersoll, under the able leadership of Wor. Bro. G. A. C. Herdman, assisted by the Masonic Choir of Woodstock. I believe that I am voicing the general opinion of all, when I say that the degree was one of the best ever put on at a Lodge of Instruction. Wor. Bro. Herdman has a splendid voice and manner, his officers supported him ably and the degree was rounded out admirably by the splendid work of the Woodstock Choir. The musical part of the degree was a revelation to those of the brethren who had never heard the choir before. The discussion of the degree was opened by Rt. Wor. Bro. Waddle, who, while calling attention to some minor errors and omissions, testified to the excellent character of the work. He was followed by Rt. Wor. Bro. Hamilton, of Wellington District No. 7, who gave an excellent address that was most attentively listened to by the brethren. Rt. Wor. Bro. Hamilton has a pleasing manner, and the brethren of Wellington District are to be congratulated on having so able a representative. The speech of the evening was made by Most Worshipful Bro. W. H. Wardrope, who is undoubtedly one of the most popular of our Past Grand Masters.

He gave the brethren a splendid address—one that will never be forgotten. The forepart of his address was a description of his trip to England, where he represented Grand Lodge at the Peace Celebration. This was most entertaining and instructive. The latter part of his address dealt with the purposes and high ideals of Free Masonry, and I feel sure that this made a lasting impression on the brethren. Rt. Wor. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary, who followed, is always a favorite in Wilson District. In

fact, he lived in Port Dover during childhood and whenever he comes back it is like coming home again. Rt. Wor. Bro. Logan spoke for about half an hour in his inimitable manner and this brought the evening's entertainment to a close.

W. Bro. H. R. Abell and officers of King Solomon Lodge No. 43, Woodstock, then took the chairs and closed down in the three degrees at 11.45 p.m. bringing to a close a day that will never be forgotten in Port Dover.

Fratenally submitted,

J. S. MARTIN, D.D.G.M.,

Wilson District No. 6.



**WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7.**

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master of this district for the Masonic year now closing.

In reviewing the condition of Freemasonry in Wellington district No. 7, during the past twelve months I have been particularly impressed with the extent to which members of all classes of society have allied themselves with masonic craftsmanship: with the increasing desire on the part of the membership for a deeper knowledge of masonic truth and more extensive instruction in the interpretation of the symbolic language of Freemasonry: with the general attitude of dignity and of proper decorum in the transaction of lodge business and conferring of the degrees: with the steadfast adherence to masonic tradition and the avoidance of innovations and whatever does not hew close to the line of masonic landmarks; with the persistent and untiring work of the officers of the various lodges whose duties this year, due to the steady additions to membership, have been somewhat onerous, because of the long hours of labour entailed, and the exceptional number of emergency meetings held for the conferring of degrees. In this last regard it is pleasing to note that notwithstanding the temptation by reason of the pressure of work, to grow careless and slipshod in the performance of the work, there was no evidence that such was the case, but on the contrary, it was always apparent that the due regard was given the candidate in placing him, in an impressive way, in the possession of masonic light.

I have also been much impressed with the devotion shown to the cause of masonry by the Past Masters of many of the lodges. What an inspiration, what an incentive to the younger masons to perform faithfully the masonic task set before them, are these veterans of the craft, who though they have entered upon the sere and

yellow leaf of old age, joyfully and efficiently continue to share in loyally supporting the worshipful master in his guidance of the brethren.

In a few brief words permit me to state the work which I have been privileged to accomplish during my term of office, and the activities that have engrossed my attention or the attention of the lodges of the district.

Since taking over the duties of my office, I have made an official visit to every lodge in the district. In every case work has been conferred giving me an opportunity of judging the efficiency of the staff of officers of each lodge.

I have paid numerous unofficial visits to lodges within available distances, and have thus been enabled to render further assistance and instruction. In all, I paid fifty-one official and unofficial visits to lodges in the district.

It was my privilege to give numerous addresses on the occasions of visits on such subjects as, The Symbolism of a Masonic Lodge, The Symbolism of the Three Degrees, The Symbolism of the Apron, The Winding Stair, The Sprig of Acacia-Hiram Abiff, The Supporting Pillars of a Masonic Lodge, The Landmarks of Freemasonry, Objections to Freemasonry, etc., thus carrying out a policy of instruction and education adopted at the entrance upon my official duties.

Three model lodges were held during the year at convenient centres. These were well attended and the discussion that took place was found to be very stimulating and helpful.

A Lodge of Instruction was held at Galt under the auspices of Alma Lodge No. 72. The first degree was exemplified by a team selected from the officers of the three Guelph lodges, the second degree by the officers of the Alma lodge, Galt, and the third degree by Past District Deputy Grand Masters, and Past Masters of Wellington district. In every respect, this lodge of instruction was a success.

As a result of observations made during the year I would venture to make the following suggestions, which I trust may receive due consideration at the hands of all concerned.

That serious consideration be given to the matter of the better ventilation of lodge rooms. Almost without exception this matter has been neglected. A hot vitiated atmosphere does not tend to comfort and vitality.

That worshipful masters make an inventory of lodge equipment and furniture eliminating what has proved to be valueless and incorrect and replacing it with that which is wholly in accordance with our rites and ceremonies. He should also see to it that all furniture is correctly placed for all degree work. In this regard, I have noted that a few of the lodges are lacking in some of the more important pieces of furniture so essential to the illustration of symbolic teachings of masonry.

That adequate insurance be carried by all lodges on their property including furniture and paraphernalia. That where lodge membership has passed the three hundred mark very serious consideration be given to the question of "swarming" and the constitution of another lodge. This is advisable from many standpoints.

That the policy of fraternal visitation be maintained by the lodges. It is pleasing to note that fraternal visits have been very numerous in this district this year. Let this beneficial phase of masonic life be continued.

That lodges take into consideration the advisability of establishing masonic libraries, a small yearly grant and individual contributions of volumes will soon place each lodge in possession of a library that cannot but prove a most useful asset to a lodge.

That more emphasis be placed by the district on the instructional and educational side of Freemasonry than has heretofore been the case. That occasional talks and discussions on the symbolic teachings of the Order take place at regular lodge meetings.

That worshipful masters drill the subordinate officers in the technique of degree work in order that they may acquire accuracy, precision and confidence. Partial knowledge is destructive of good and effective work.

That stress be laid on the necessity of mastery of the Constitution. Innumerable pitfalls await the Master who fails to familiarize himself with the Constitutions of Grand Lodge.

That candidates be carefully posted in their work up to and including the third degree. While in some cases this is being faithfully done, I regret to say that there are too many cases in which it is not being attended to. A faithful discharge of the duties of the posting committee will remedy this defect wherever it exists.

In conclusion I wish to extend my sincerest thanks to the district for electing me District Deputy Grand Master for 1920-21. It has been a year of unusual activity, of substantial growth of membership, of mutually profitable fraternal intercourse, of satisfactory performance of duties by lodge masters, and of peace and goodwill amongst the members. To me it has been a year of great masonic value and I lay aside the mantle of office grateful for the privilege given me of serving my brethren. I desire also to thank the brethren in all parts of the district for their kindness to me, their hospitality and their ready response to every request made of them, in the discharge of my official duties. And finally I wish to express my gratitude to Wor. Brother Frank Roelofson, District Secretary, who has given most unselfishly of his time and effort to make my year of office one of exceptional pleasure and satisfaction.

Fraternally submitted,

R. S. HAMILTON, D.D.G.M.,

Wellington District No. 7.

## HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor and very great pleasure to submit for your consideration my report on the work and general condition of Masonry in the Hamilton district No. 8 during the past Masonic year.

I first wish to express my gratitude to the brethren for the confidence expressed in honoring me with the distinguished position and also for the many acts of courtesy which they have so cheerfully extended to me throughout the whole district. Expecially am I thankful to those who have so kindly assisted me in my work and accompanied me on my visits. I have endeavoured to discharge my duties with a full appreciation of the confidence placed in me by the brethren and of the responsibility of the office. To perform these duties faithfully means a heavy demand on time and thought which has been to me a work of love. My task has been made easy and pleasant by the uniform kindness and hearty co-operation extended me by the members of the craft in general.

My first official act was to appoint as District Chaplain, Bro. Geo. W. Tebbs, and Wor. Bro. S. M. Sinclair as District Secretary, who has been a most efficient officer, sparring neither time nor energy in assisting me.

I visited all the lodges in the district once, and some of them twice. Generally speaking I find them all in a flourishing and properous condition, the work well done and of a uniform and general high order, and the traditions of Masonry splendidly upheld. There is, therefore, little to criticize and much to commend. In witnessing the work of the various lodges I have noted that the Worshipful Masters and officers generally are enthusiastic and anxious to do their work as perfectly as possible. They are men capable of managing their respective lodges with skill and ability, men of outstanding personality, willing to learn, eager to serve and profoundly impressed



with the responsibility of their position. This is the result of the good work performed by my predecessors who were most zealous in their efforts to encourage and counsel.

I have been pleased and favorably impressed with the efficiency of the lodge secretaries. They have proved themselves prompt in their correspondence and anxious to carry out their duties satisfactorily. In most of the Lodges a P. M. fills this office, and one of the greatest helps a W. M. can have is a well posted secretary. An efficient secretary is an immense asset to a lodge for while the welfare of the lodge is nominally in the hands of the Worshipful Master, in the order of things this officer changes constantly, while the secretary is more or less permanent. I have found the books of the several lodges well kept, some of them being models of neatness, funds well protected and properly deposited.

Our lodges are growing rapidly in numbers and influence while the finances are in a correspondingly satisfactory condition. Throughout the whole district peace and harmony prevail. Our sick and suffering are tenderly nursed, the needy and distressed cared for and loving hands have laid to rest those who have been summoned to the Grand Lodge Above. I regret my inability to report a full list of all the brethren of the district who have passed away during the year.

### **Constitutions and Consecrations.**

Ionic Lodge, No. 549 Hamilton, September 1, 1920. Buchanan Lodge No. 550 Mt. Hamilton, September 2, 1920. Tuscan Lodge, No. 551, Hamilton, September 11, 1920. Hamilton Lodge, No. 562, Hamilton, September, 13, 1920. Wardrope Lodge No. 555, Hamilton, September 17, 1920.

### **Dedication.**

Buchanan Lodge No. 550, Mt. Hamilton, September 2, 1920.

### **Official Visits.**

In submitting my report on the individual lodges, I will be as brief as possible. I trust the brethren will not think me ungrateful if mention is not made of all the kind

and warm receptions which they have extended at all times. I do not need to mention individually the hospitality of the different lodges. The officers and members of each are ideal hosts. Each excelled itself in the form of banquet and entertainment. I sincerely thank them one and all for their exceeding kind welcome.

Ionic Lodge, Hamilton, Sept. 1st. I had the honour of acting for the Grand Master in constituting and consecrating Ionic Lodge in the City of Hamilton, when I was ably assisted by R. W. Bro. Logan, Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Cunningham, R. W. Bro. McKenzie, V. W. Bro. Easterbrook, Wor. Bro. Kelly, Wor. Bro. Sprules, and a number of other prominent brethren.

Ionic lodge begins its career under very favorable conditions and under the guidance of Wor. Bro. Lumsden and his officers will, I have no doubt, rapidly become one of the strong lodges of the district. It was my pleasure to accompany the brethren of Ionic Lodge on a fraternal visit to High Park Lodge, Toronto. The evening was a memorable one.

Buchanan Lodge, Mt. Hamilton. I had the honor September 2nd, of constituting and consecrating Buchanan lodge and dedicating their hall. I am indebted to R. W. Bro. Epps, R. W. Bro. McKenzie, V. W. Bro. Easterbrook, Wor. Bro. Forth, Wor. Bro. Sprules and a number of other brethren of the district for their kind assistance. Immediately following the ceremony the W. M. presented Bro. Wilson with a neat Masonic pin and expressed the pleasure of the lodge in having him as a member. Bro. Wilson is 75 years of age and had just been raised to the sublime degree. The brethren took this occasion of presenting another surprise. The D. D. G. M. having taken the chair, Bro. Davies, on behalf of the members of Buchanan Lodge read an address acknowledging their deep appreciation of the great personal sacrifice W. Bro. Springstead had made in accepting the chair in the East and devoting himself with such untiring zeal to the task of organizing a Lodge of Freemasonry at Mount Hamilton. As a token of this appreciation Bro. Gallagher presented him with a gold watch and chain and a bouquet of roses for Mrs. Springstead. Wor. Bro. Springstead feelingly replied in his

characteristic style. During the year 59 members have been received in to the lodge. There are only two Past Masters. This shows a staff of very energetic officers. I feel sure that Buchanan lodge will always give a good account of itself. The books are well kept by Bro. Davies.

Tuscan Lodge, No. 551, Hamilton. September 11th I visited Tuscan Lodge, Hamilton, and had the honor of constituting and consecrating same. I am grateful to the brethren who assisted me at Buchanan for their services again. At the conclusion of the ceremony I officially visited Tuscan lodge and was cordially received by Wor. Bro. Hills and the brethren. There was a splendid attendance including a large number of Past Masters. Seventy members were initiated during the year and there are very bright prospects for the future. Wor. Bro. Hills is ably assisted by an energetic staff of officers. The books are well kept by the Secretary Wor. Bro. Warner.

Hamilton Lodge No. 562, Hamilton Sept. 13th. I officially visited this lodge and constituted and consecrating Hamilton Lodge, Hamilton. I was ably assisted by R. W. Bro. Logan, G. S., R. W. Bro. McGregor, R. W. Bro. Nixon, R. W. Bro. Ferguson, R. W. Bro. Epps, V. Wor. Bro. Easterbrook, Wor. Bro. Forth, Wor. Bro. Sprules and a number of other Past Masters of the district. After the ceremony I was heartily received by Wor. Bro. Dixon and the brethren. This is the baby lodge of the district but is full of vim. A very large percentage of the members being railroad men it is termed "The Railroad Lodge". The officers are alert and perform their duties commendably. I feel assured that this lodge will add materially to the cause of Masonry. Wor. Bro. Gibson has the books well in hand.

Electric Lodge, No. 495. Hamilton. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge October 20th, and conducted the election of officers. The result proved the harmony which prevails among the members. The officers are well qualified to perform their duties being ably guided by Wor. Bro. McGee, the Worshipful Master. They have accomplished a lot of work during the year and are in a good condition financially. The secretary, Wor. Bro. Montague, attends to his duties with great credit to himself.

Enniskillen Lodge, No. 185, York. October 25th, I visited Enniskillen lodge and although it is not favorable situated geographically, yet there was a fair attendance of members and a number of visiting brethren from Cayuga, Seymour and St. Andrews lodges. This lodge is at present not enjoying great prosperity. The village is not going ahead, the territory is strictly rural and new candidates are not plentiful. The membership is small but contains a number of stalwart masons. The lodge is hopeful and the members are holding on, looking for better days in the way of additions and better financial conditions. I received a hearty welcome and, as there was no work, Wor. Bro. Spittal and his officers opened and closed the lodge very creditably. The secretary, Wor. Bro. Brown, is doing his work well.

Harmony Lodge No. 57, Binbrook, Wor. Bro. Ewart McEvoy, W.M. Visited October 26th, Work E. A. Degree. This lodge with a most able Master and a good staff of officers and an energetic lot of Past Masters, all working together; it is enjoying prosperity and conferring the work as required by the Grand Lodge and in a manner most commendable. Wor. Bro. E. J. Whitworth, the secretary, looks well to his work and has his books in splendid shape. During the year the lodge has made extensive alterations to their hall by installing a ventilating system, which many of the sister lodges would do well to follow. They own the building. Since my visit to Harmony lodge, the district has been shocked at the sad circumstance connected with Wor. Bro. Whitworth's death. Cut down by the cruel hand of an assassin without a moment's warning, the craft is bereft of a stalwart member, the community of a true friend and neighbor, and the country of a loyal subject.

Corinthian Lodge No. 513, Hamilton. Wor. Bro. H. R. Clark, W. M. I visited this lodge on October 28th, and conducted the election of officers. The spirit of harmony prevailed and the officers were advanced according to merit by the members. The work of the year is very satisfactory. They have advanced both numerically and financially. Wor. Bro. Clark is a tower of strength in the lodge, though considerably past middle life, yet he retains his youthful spirit and by his untiring



zeal for masonry has endeared himself to all who know him. The finances and general conditions are in good shape.

Lincoln Lodge, No. 544, Abingdon. Wor. Bro. Seth Parker, W. M. I motored to Abingdon to visit Lincoln Lodge, November 19th, The roads and weather were not favorable but the warm greeting of the members was all that could be desired. The lodge is comfortably situated in their own building. There was a large attendance and the enthusiasm shown by the brethren speaks well for the future success of this young lodge which is really an offspring of Harmony Lodge. The officers were just recently installed and performed the opening and closing ceremonies with great credit. The degree work, I am sure, will be carefully looked after. R. W. Bro. Senn is a charter member and, although having been indisposed for sometime, was present. He has been an earnest champion in the cause of Masonry for many years. Wor. Bro. Parker is a peer at the plow and I feel assured he will be an expert with the gavel. The books are carefully looked after.

Dundurn Lodge, No. 475, Hamilton. Wor. Bro. J. O. Binkley W.M. I visited this lodge, November 20th. There was a large attendance of members and visitors to greet me. Wor. Bro. Binkley and his officers conferred the first degree in a very able manner which left little room for criticism. I wish especially to commend the Junior Warden for the splendid rendering of his charge. This lodge is in a thriving condition; the books and records are well and carefully kept by R. W. Bro. Lanigan.

St. Andrews Lodge No. 62, Caledonia. W. Bro. C. E. Shaw, W. M. My visit to St. Andrews lodge was made November 24th. The first degree was conferred upon a very bright candidate in an acceptable manner, each officer doing his part impressively and deliberately. The Past Masters seem to take a great interest in the lodge. The lodge has enjoyed a goodly number of interchange of visits during the year. This is to be commended and if more of the lodges would adopt this practice, it would tend to draw the brethren closer together. The books are well and carefully kept and the finances are in good shape.



Burlington Lodge No. 165, Burlington. December 8th, it was a great pleasure to visit this my Mother lodge, where I first saw the light of Masonry and where I have since been taught in the Art. There was a very large turn out of the members and a number of visiting brethren from the sister lodges, including the Grand Sec., R. W. Bro. Jas. McGregor, and R. W. Bro. J. O. McGregor. It was also a pleasure to welcome R. W. Bro. Russell, D.D.G.M., of Brant District. Wor. Bro. J. B. Leonard and his officers exemplified the first degree in a very creditable manner which was favorably commented on by the Grand Secretary. Bro. J. Allen is giving a good account of his stewardship as secretary. The finances are good and the prospects of the lodge are bright.

Acacia Lodge, No. 61, Hamilton. I visited this lodge December 10th, and was greeted by a very large attendance. It has been my pleasure to visit the brethren on more than one occasion and I have always found them well skilled in the work and up to date in every particular. It was my pleasant duty to conduct the annual election of officers on this occasion and from the result of the ballot I have every reason to believe that the same high standard as has been enjoyed by the lodge will be maintained.

Temple Lodge, No. 324, Hamilton. I visited this lodge December 14th. It being the occasion of their annual meeting, I conducted the election of officers for the ensuing year, which was characterized by a truly Masonic spirit. This lodge is well officered and there are many other bright young members who are a valuable asset to a lodge. The finances are carefully looked after by the Secretary Wor. Bro. C. J. Stead.

St. John's Lodge No. 40, Hamilton. I visited this lodge Dec. 16th, 1920 and was cordially received by Wor. Bro. MacDougall and his members. St. John's is one of the oldest lodges in the district and enjoys the reputation of following closely the landmarks of Free Masonry. The annual election was the chief business which I conducted. It is evident that harmony prevails. The interest and enthusiasm of the members is well maintained. The past masters are very loyal, there being the largest

number active of any lodge I have visited to date. Wor. Bro. Simpson is an ideal secretary and is up to date with his work.

The Lodge of Strict Observance No. 27, Hamilton. December 17th was the occasion of my official visit to this lodge. I was given a royal reception by the officers and members. The election of officers for the ensuing year was the principal business. I am pleased to report that the welfare of this lodge is carefully guarded by Wor. Bro. Allworth and his loyal band of Past Masters. Generally speaking the lodge is in excellent shape, assets being large and only a small amount of dues outstanding. For many years the venerable secretary W. Bro. W. C. Morton has been termed the Model Secretary. He has been faithful in the discharge of his duties, but owing to his advanced years he wished to be relieved of the responsibility. A number of Past Masters took this opportunity of expressing their appreciation of his merit and were sorry that it was necessary for him to retire from the office.

Wentworth Lodge No. 166, Stoney Creek. I visited this lodge December 20th and conducted the election of officers. Wor. Bro. J. R. Parker and his officers do their work well and are ably supported by an enthusiastic band of Past Masters whose zeal for Free Masonry is beyond question. Wentworth lodge has the finest lodge room in the district, outside of the city, being very commodious, well equipped and with splendid ventilation.

During the year the lodge has been very active. A large number of bright young members have been received. The prospects of this lodge are excellent.

Seymour Lodge No. 272, Ancaster. A large number of members was present to greet me on the occasion of my official visit January 18th. Many visiting brethren were present from Hamilton, Enniskillen, Harmony and Lincoln. The second degree was exemplified in a very impressive manner which left little room for criticism. The members appear to take a keen interest in the work and are ably lead by Wor. Bro. Roelfson. The building is owned by the lodge and the lodge room is very comfortable. The financial conditions are most satisfactory.

Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton. A large attendance characterized my official visit to Doric Lodge, February 21st. I was very enthusiastically received by the members. Wor. Bro. Thomas E. Holmes and his officers conferred the first degree in a manner that deserves congratulations. The delivery of the J. W. charge by Bro. Wm. Wallace was a masterpiece. The Worshipful Master fills his office with dignity and the Past Masters who assisted him are to be commended. This lodge is making steady progress and is fortunate in having R. W. Bro. C. V. Emory as Secretary. The books are kept faultlessly as one would expect from so skilled a brother. Among the treasures of Doric Lodge is a complete and concise history of the lodge since its inception. It was compiled by the Secretary.

Wardrope Lodge No. 555, Hamilton. February 28th, I visited Wardrope Lodge and was heartily received by a very large number of members of this lodge and the sister lodges. Although one of the youngest lodges in the district, yet there has been so much zeal and energy displayed by the brethren that it stands well to the front with other lodges. The E. A. degree was ably conferred by Wor. Bro. J. Forth assisted by a capable staff of officers. I was present at the constitution and consecration of Wardrope lodge September 27th, which were at the request of the Grand Master, conducted by M. W. Bro. Wardrope. There were a large number of Grand Lodge officers present. The ceremonies were very impressive and M. W. Wardrope took this opportunity of counselling this young lodge and complimented them on the excellent progress they had made.

The Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton. I visited this grand old lodge March 9th. Its early history is closely allied with that of our country. The names of many men of pioneer distinction are to be found on the roll. The Sublime Degree of M. M. was conferred in an impressive manner by Wor. Bro. Stewart assisted by a number of Past Masters and an able staff of officers who are very zealous in the affairs of the lodge. Barton Lodge was the first to institute the custom of presenting the initiate with a Volume of the Sacred Law. This was a very thoughtful and appropriate act and has since been adopted by a number of other lodges.

Dufferin Lodge No. 291, West Flamboro. I visited this lodge on March 17th, and received a royal welcome. The roads were extremely bad but this did not retard the zeal of the brethren as there was an excellent attendance. The brethren of Dufferin Lodge are to be congratulated on having such magnificent quarters for their lodge. It was Past Masters' night. Wor. Bro. Baker was in the East and, with Past Masters filling the other chairs, the E. A. Degree was splendidly exemplified, the work was almost faultless. They demonstrated their love for the Art. Wor. Bro. McCarmach and his officers handle the affairs of the lodge with skill. The Lodge is in excellent condition. I found the finances well looked after by the genial secretary, Wor. Bro. Wesley Green.

St. Clair Lodge No. 135, Milton. March 30th, I officially visited St. Clair Lodge. There was a splendid turn out of the members to welcome me. The W. M. Wor. Bro. Robinson and his officers conferred the first degree in a very impressive manner on an ideal candidate. A very pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation by V. Wor. Bro. Geo. Moore of Hamilton on behalf of the lodge of a Past Master's Jewel, together with an illuminated address, to Wor. Bro. Wm. Panton, on the occasion of having reached his Semi-Centennial as a Mason. Wor. Bro. Panton feelingly replied and thanked the brethren for their expression of brotherly love. His remarks were of a reminiscent character which was very interesting, especially to the younger members of the craft. I also had the pleasure, in company with M. W. Bro. Wardrope and R. W. Bro. Logan, of attending a banquet tendered to the ladies which was a pleasing success. Wor. Bro. Armstrong has the secretarial work well in hand.

Valley Lodge No. 100, Dundas. I visited this lodge officially April 11th. There was a good attendance of the members and a number of visitors from Hamilton and Dufferin lodge. R. W. Bro. Latshaw, the esteemed secretary, had just returned from the South where he had been visiting for some time, but he had left his work in careful hands. He is a veteran of the Craft and a pillar in Masonry. He and Wor. Bro. Irwin ably supported the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. Moss and his officers



in conferring the first degree. The work was well rendered by all the officers. Valley Lodge has enjoyed a successful year. The finances are in good shape and the lodge should continue its prosperity.

Waterdown Lodge, No. 357, Millgrove. I visited Waterdown Lodge officially April 19th. There was an over-crowded house of members and visiting brethren from the various sister lodges. There have been frequent exchanges of visits between this lodge and my mother lodge which has given me a good opportunity of knowing the calibre of the work in the lodge. In exemplifying the E. A. Degree, Wor. Bro. Dalton and his officers upheld the high reputation of the lodge. They all did their work exceptionally well and from the character of the candidates the future material for the lodge Master's chair assured the success of the lodge. Bro. Pool is an exemplary secretary. His books are a model of neatness.

Oakville Lodge No. 400, Oakville. May 7th, 1921 I officially visited Oakville Lodge where a warm welcome awaited me. This was my last official visit in the District and among the most pleasant. The lodge room was packed with members and visitors. Their zeal for the cause of masonry was very manifest. The work of the evening was the conferring of the E. A. Degree which Wor. Bro. Jacobs and his officers with the assistance of the Past Masters exemplified in an impressive manner. The J. W., Bro. Wilkinson, delivered the lecture in the South with good effect. The Oakville brethren have had for some time under consideration the erection of a Masonic Temple. They have acquired a lot and have a substantial sum in the treasury for this purpose. A Temple with proper club and reading room is a distinct asset to the craft and should not only prove beneficial to the members but a source of pleasure to visiting brethren of the town. It is to be hoped that this worthy object commenced may be successfully accomplished.

In conclusion I wish to say that the efforts of my predecessors in getting the district in the high state of perfection it now enjoys, made my duties comparatively light and the year just closing will ever remain green in my memory as one of the most instructive and pleasant



periods of my life. I cherish the fondest memories of the courtesy and brotherly love shown me in all my official visits, and thank the brethren who by their congenial companionship and wise counsel have aided me in making my duties pleasant to myself and I hope profitable to the several lodges under my official care.

I bespeak for my successor the same cordial consideration and support.

Fraternally submitted,

H. A. GRAHAM, D.D.G.M.,

Hamilton District No. 8.

## GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren,

I have the honor to present my report upon the condition of Masonry in Georgian District Number 9 for the year 1920-1921. In doing so I first wish to express my deep appreciation and sincere thanks for the honor conferred upon me by the brethren of the District in electing me to the honorable office of District Deputy Grand Grand Master, and to the officers and members of the various lodges for their many acts of kindness and courtesy extended to me when visiting their lodges. I have endeavoured to discharge my duties with a full appreciation of the confidence placed in me by the brethren and of the responsibility of the office.

My first official act was to appoint Bro. G. C. Coles, of Manito Lodge No. 90, District Secretary and Bro. Rev. D. G. Paton, B.A., District Chaplain, both of whom I wish to thank for their assistance.

I am glad to report perfect harmony and excellent progress throughout the whole District. I have not been called upon to settle any differences during my term of office. The work witnessed in the different lodges is of a uniform and general high order.

The Worshipful Masters and Officers are enthusiastic and anxious to do their work as perfectly as possible in accordance with Grand Lodge requirements. The members generally are taking an active part in the business and general work of the Lodges. The quality of membership added during the year appears to be excellent and the prospects of the different Lodges are most encouraging.

I have tried to the best of my ability to stimulate the desire to render the work in as impressive a manner as possible so as to bring out the full beauty and solemnity of the ceremonies and the great care that should be taken in regard to the ballot..

I wish to commend the excellent work of the secretaries of the lodges upon the thoroughness of their work, which I have found in a very satisfactory state. Nearly all the lodges have a P. M. or member of long standing as secretary who has become familiar with the work, and is a source of strength to the W. M. and greatly aids in the progress of the lodge.

In submitting my report on the individual Lodges I will be as brief as possible and I trust the brethren will not think me ungrateful if mention is not made of all the kind and warm receptions which they have extended to me at all times. The officers and members of each are ideal hosts and I sincerely thank them one and all for their exceedingly kind welcome.

### Official Visits

Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene. Visited on 20th January, this being my first official visit in the district. The E. A. Degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Elliott and his officers in a most efficient manner, W. Bro. James, of Occident Lodge No. 346, Toronto, whose son was the candidate, taking part of the work, which was very impressive. W. Bro. C. Clark also of Occident Lodge No. 346 and W. Bro. R. B. Orr, of Alpha Lodge, Toronto, accompanied W. Bro. James to witness the admission of his son into Masonry. W. Bro. Clark is an old friend and I was indeed pleased to meet him on this occasion. A pleasing part of the evening was the presentation of a Past Master's Jewel to W. Bro. O'Hara by W. Bro. Keefe, on behalf of the lodge, in an able address. This lodge has a bright future. R. W. Bro. Martin and W. Bro. Leefe the secretary, take a live interest in it. The W. M., Secretary and others from Midland were present.

Tottenham Lodge No. 467, Tottenham. Visited on 28th February. W. Bro. Foucar and his officers conferred the second degree very well, W. Bro. McCabe taking part of the work exceptionally well. The officers require considerable practice to be efficient. W. Bro. Semple is an excellent secretary.

Orillia Lodge No. 192, Orillia. I had great pleasure visiting this Lodge on March 4th. W. Bro. Scott and his capable officers conferred the E. A. Degree perfectly,

every officer doing his work in the most efficient manner, the lecture by the Junior Warden deserving special mention. R. W. Bro. Tudhope gave an excellent address on Masonry. There is every evidence that he is a valued member of Orillia Lodge and rightly so. This lodge is to be congratulated on having such an excellent secretary as W. Bro. Doidge; he is a splendid financier and his books are in fine shape. The great kindness and hospitality extended to me by the officers and members of Orillia Lodge shall long be remembered.

Manito Lodge No. 90, Collingwood. I had the pleasure of visiting this Lodge on March 22nd. W. Bro. Toner and his officers opened the Lodge in the 1st., 2nd. and 3rd degrees very proficiently. This being Past Master's night, the regular officers vacated their chairs and they were filled by Past Masters. W. Bro. Johnson being in the East, the M. M. Degree was worked in a most proficient manner, showing that the Past Masters are taking a live interest in their lodge, R. W. Bro. Knight, R. W. Bro. C. T. Stephens taking part of the work. Manito Lodge is in excellent condition and has a splendid secretary in W. Bro. Herrington.

Corinthian Lodge No. 96, Barrie. Visited on April 7th. W. Bro. Marlin and his officers exemplified the first degree in a perfect manner, the work of the Deacons being exceptionally fine. R. W. Bro. Cowan and R. W. Bro. Little take a great interest in this Lodge. There was a large attendance of members and visitors. The secretary W. Bro. Felt is an excellent one. Corinthian Lodge is everything that could be desired.

Earl Kitchener Lodge No. 538, Port McNicol. April 19th., I visited this Lodge. The W. M., W. Bro. Davidson and his officers worked a first degree in a splendid manner, giving evidence that they are taking a deep interest in Masonry. This being the youngest Lodge in the District it is gratifying to find them doing so fine. W. Bro. Wardell takes a keen interest in this lodge and is a regular attendant. The brethren are all enthusiastic. There were visitors from Midland, Penetang, Victoria Harbor, and we had a splendid time.

Victoria Lodge No. 470, Victoria Harbor, April 20th. I visited this lodge and it was a great pleasure to do so,

being R. W. Bro. Brown's Lodge, I.P.D.D.G.M. Owing to W. Bro. Butler, W.M., being unable to be present W. Bro. Lumsden, I.P.M. took his Chair, and with the officers worked the E.A. Degree in first class shape, the candidate being an exceptionally good one. This lodge has a fine new lodge room, well equipped and everything very comfortable. R. W. Bro. Brown is a tower of strength to this lodge.

Karnac Lodge No. 492, Coldwater, April 21st., was the date this lodge was visited. W. Bro. Elliott and his efficient staff of officers worked the M. M. Degree in a manner that was a credit to them, showing that the officers take a keen interest in the work. Wor. Bro. Millard, the secretary, is an excellent one. This lodge has a bright future, as the officers and members are very enthusiastic Masons. I enjoyed my visit to this lodge very much.

Manitoba Lodge No. 236, Cookstown, 26th April. On this date I visited Manitoba Lodge. The W. M. being unable to be present, W. Bro. McGowan, I.P.M. took his chair and with the regular officers exemplified the E. A. degree in a very pleasing manner, deserving of all praise. R. W. Bro. McKnight, who is a member of this lodge, was present and is a splendid asset to this lodge as is also V. W. Bro. MacKay, the genial secretary. I had a very pleasant visit to this lodge.

Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie, April 28th. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge and seeing the W. M., W. Bro. McLachlan and his splendid staff of officers exemplify the first degree in a most efficient and impressive manner deserving of the highest praise. The musical ritual was beautiful rendered by the choir of Kerr Lodge, this being the first lodge visited that the musical ritual was used and would recommend that more of the lodges would use it. A very great pleasure was afforded me in meeting my old friend Rt. Wor. Bro. Sprott, who is a valued member of this lodge. I would wish to mention specially W. Bro. Duff, the excellent secretary of this lodge, under whose guidance the affairs of the lodge are in such splendid shape. There were visitors from different lodges present and all enjoyed the great kindness and hospitality of Kerr Lodge.



Coronation Lodge No. 466, Elmvale, visited May 6th. W. Bro. Thompson and his officers conferred the E. A. Degree in a manner that was a credit to them, all being very impressively done. The officers and members are a splendid lot of Masons. W. Bro. Foster is an A. 1. secretary. There were several visitors from surrounding lodges, W. Bro. Keefe, of Georgian Lodge, gave a very fine address. Coronation Lodge is a prosperous one.

Caledonian Lodge No. 249, Midland. May 16th was the date I had the pleasure of visiting Caledonian Lodge and was accompanied by E. Bro. Gibson, of Stayner, a Past Master of Caledonian. The W. M., W. Bro. Rowie and his officers exemplified the F.C. degree in a very creditable manner. There are some exceptionally able junior officers coming forward who will give a good account of themselves. A very pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation of a Past Master's jewel to W. Bro. Hy. Gibson by W. Bro. Preston. W. Bro. Gibson was Master of Caledonian some time ago. This lodge has a splendidly appointed lodge room, and its officers and members are most enthusiastic, this year 1921 is its fiftieth anniversary. There were visitors from Penetang, Elmvale, Port McNicol, Meaford and Stayner and altogether we had a most happy and enjoyable evening. W. Bro. Thornton is an efficient and capable secretary.

Minerva Lodge No. 304, Stroud, May 19th. I visited this lodge. The evening being so warm and the lodge room so small and the large number of visiting brethren from Barrie, Cookstown, Elmvale and other lodges no degree was worked. The W.M., W. Bro. Rogers and his officers opened in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees and closed down, doing so in an excellent manner, giving evidence that they are proficient in their work. Minerva is a live lodge and what they require is a new lodge room, which I trust they will have at an early date. The hospitality and kindness of Minerva cannot be excelled.

Spry Lodge No. 385, Beeton, was visited on May 23rd. W. Bro. Wilcox and his officers conferred the second degree in an excellent manner. This lodge has fine quarters and is prosperous. There were visitors from Cookstown, Alliston, Tottenham. R. W. Bro. McKnight gave an excellent address. I had the pleasure of meeting my friend W. Bro. Knowles, P.M. of Spry.

Nitetis Lodge No. 444, Creemore. I visited this lodge on the regular meeting night May 24th. The W.M. S. Warden, S. Deacon, J. Deacon and I. Guard were all absent, W. Bro. Pearen P.M. acting in the absence of the W.M. W. Bro. Lennox with Past masters assisting conferred a M.M. Degree in a most efficient and creditable manner. This lodge is not in the condition I would like it to be. There are a large number of the brethren in arrears and there does not seem to be the proper masonic spirit prevailing that there should be. I advised the Past Masters present to take hold, and I think they will, as there is a splendid lot of Past Masters I earnestly trust that Nitetis Lodge will come to the fore.

Seven Star Lodge No. 285, Alliston. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge on May 30th. The W. M. W. Bro. McLean and his splendid staff of officers exemplified the Fellow Craft Degree in a manner that reflects great credit on themselves and the lodge. R. W. Bro. Hill P.D.D.G.M. is a member of Seven Star and is greatly interested in the welfare of it. They have a well appointed and furnished lodge room which they own. There were visitors from several lodges and all spent a most enjoyable evening. The secretary, W. Bro. Caesar, is an excellent one. The prospects of Seven Star are the very best.

Beaver Lodge No. 234, Clarksburg, visited on 2nd June. The W. M., W. Bro. Loughheed and his officers exemplified the M.M. degree in the most excellent manner, all being proficient in their work. R. W. Bro. Kent and R. W. Bro. Rye were present; they are active and enthusiastic members of Beaver and take great interest in the work of the lodge. W. Bro. Hartman is also a valuable member. They have a splendid secretary, W. Bro. Reekie.

Pythagoras Lodge No. 137, Meaford, June 7th, I visited this lodge. The W. M., W. Bro. Bright with his officers conferred the M. M. Degree in a most proficient manner, some of the Past Masters taking part of the work which was very pleasing, showing that they are taking a live interest in their lodge. Rt. Wor. Bro. Hamill, P.D.D.G.M. is an ardent and enthusiastic member of this lodge. W. Bro. Finley is an efficient secretary. Pythagoras is progressive and has bright prospects.

Northern Light No. 266, Stayner. I paid my official visit to this my mother lodge on June 14th, where I was received most cordially. The W.M., W. Bro. McLean and his officers exemplified the M. M. Degree in a most satisfactory and impressive manner. R. W. Bro. Bethune P.D.D.G.M. is a valued member and a tower of strength to this lodge. W. Bro. Bell the excellent secretary of the lodge has been ill for some time but all trust he may be with us soon again. W. Bro. Watson, P.M., has been acting secretary. There were visitors from Barrie, Beeton, Elmvale and other lodges and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all.

In conclusion I wish to say that the efforts of my predecessors in getting the district in the high state of perfection it now enjoys made my duties comparatively light and the year just closing will remain green in my memory as one of the most instructive and happy periods of my life. I cherish the fondest memories of the courtesy extended to me by the brethren on my official visits in making my duties pleasant to myself and I trust profitable to the several lodges under my official care, and I bespeak for my successor the same kindly consideration and support.

Fraternally submitted,

R. J. CAMPBELL, D.D.G.M.,

Georgian District No. 9.

## NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10.

To the Most Worshipful, The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with the utmost pleasure that I submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Niagara District No. 10, covering the work done in the various lodges during the past year.

I have visited each lodge at least once and am pleased to advise that the work is being exemplified in a manner that reflects great credit upon the masters and officers of the different lodges. The tenets and time honored principles and traditions of the fraternity are well guarded and all work is being done in a dignified and impressive manner. The Worshipful Masters and officers are most enthusiastic in their work, and in this connection, it would be short sighted on my part, were I to neglect special and particular mention of the work of the Junior Wardens, which has been a revelation to me and surely bespeaks for many lodges an excellent leader a short time hence. The officers as a whole are young and energetic, and capable of doing an unlimited amount of work. The Secretaries of the various lodges are most competent and and their books in good shape. The dues are paid up in all lodges, there being only one lodge where the brethren are a little backward in paying. Every lodge in the district, particularly the town and city lodges, are being kept extremely busy, the applications and work conferred being remarkably large.

The receptions accorded me as the representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, have been most cordial and the fraternal spirit that exists among the Masons of the district has been manifested on every visitation. The brethren of sister lodges have exemplified an excellent spirit by their attendance at so many of the meetings on the occasions of my official visitations. I would like to name them all but I am sincerely grateful, in particular, to Wor. Bros. Limburner and Muir of Clifton Lodge, Wor. Bros., Grey and Raepele of King

Edward VII Lodge, Wor. Bros. Summerville and Fralick Copestone Lodge and Wor. Bro. Damude of Phoenix Lodge. I have been accompanied on nearly all visitations by Wor. Bro. N. D. Graham of Palmer Lodge, who has been of great assistance, especially during the hours of refreshment. I have also had from two to three automobile loads of brethren from Palmer lodge accompany me on most occasions.

The only criticisms I have made in connection with the work have been the result of Worshipful Masters failing to complete the work of each degree. I have maintained that all charges, including the constitutional charges, should be given before the degree is completed. In a few of the lodges the constitutional charge was omitted entirely, but I am pleased to state that these lectures are being given now in every lodge and past masters are committing them to memory, which greatly increases the impressiveness of the charge.

Many exchanges of visits between lodges, with the conferring of degrees have been arranged, which surely stimulates interest in our work and enlarges the fraternal sphere of the brethren.

A very noticeable feature on my visitations was the activities of Past Masters in conferring of degrees. The worshipful brethren are ever ready and willing to get into harness and assist in the work, at the call of the Worshipful Master, and with the ever increasing amount of degree work coming up in each lodge, the generous help of these past officers greatly relieves the Master and keeps fresh in their minds the wonderful work they have carried on in former years.

One new lodge was instituted during the year, Adoniram, Niagara Falls, Ont., and the work being done by the officers and the assistance given by past masters of sister lodges, both of the city and surrounding section have been a real inspiration to every visitor and member of the lodge.

On Feb. 5th. 1920, we were called upon to pay our last respects to departed merit, in the person of R. W. Bro. Robt. Hoover of Mountain Lodge, Thorold. The ceremony was conducted by R. W. Bro. John Herod of



Mountain Lodge and the bearers were all past D.D.G.Ms. The attendance was exceptionally large and demonstrated the high esteem in which the distinguished brother was held by his brethren at home and throughout the district. Though he has passed to the great beyond his memory and activities will live on and be cherished in Mountain Lodge.

### Official Visits

My first official visit was made at Amity Lodge, Dunnville, October 27th., and the reception accorded was most hearty. I had the pleasure of renewing many acquaintances formed in school days, the Worshipful Master being one of these. The second degree was worked by Wor. Bro. Appleyard, assisted by Wor. Bro. J. Clark in a very acceptable manner.

On Nov. 9th, 1920, I visited St. George's Lodge, St. Catharines, and was received in truly masonic fashion, and by an exceptionally large attendance. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Henderson, assisted by past masters in most impressive form. The Junior Warden is deserving of commendation while the constitutional charge as given by Wor. Bro. Gwinner was most impressive. Short and timely addresses were made and the brethren entertained with some musical numbers. Dues all paid up.

Coronation Lodge, Smithville, was visited on Nov. 22nd, 1920, and here I had the distinction of being received and welcomed by a membership composed of brethren with whom I was not previously acquainted. The reception accorded on this occasion exemplified the true masonic spirit practised in this lodge. The second degree was worked in splendid form by Wor. Bro. Hicks, assisted by several past masters, after which a real Smithville banquet was served. This lodge has since been placed in a peculiar position as to a meeting place, the lodge room having been sold. The brethren are wide awake, and will not be without a home for any great length of time.

The really progressive event of the year was the institution of Adoniram Lodge, U.D., at Niagara Falls, on Nov. 16th., 1920. For some time it had been thought

that there was room for another lodge in this city and it remained for several brethren headed by Wor. Bros. Chas. Stringer and H. W. Little, to get it started. On the afternoon of the institution I was assisted by Wor. Bros. Limburner and Warren of Clifton Lodge, Unsworth, Scott and Payne of St. Marks Lodge, Homes of St. George's Lodge and Graham of Palmer Lodge.

I have visited this lodge twice since the institution and wish to report that work as exemplified in this lodge is second to none in the whole district. The officers are a most capable and energetic lot and have been doing wonderful work. The past masters of many lodges in the district have given assistance to the Worshipful Master on almost every occasion when degrees were conferred and for this his officers as well as he himself are most appreciative. The Secretary's work is in the hands of Wor. Bro. H. W. Little, and the books are in excellent shape. The meetings are being held in St. Mark's lodge room, but the brethren have purchased a building that will be remodeled and a permanent home provided, that will be a credit to both the order and the lodge.

I visited St. Mark's lodge, Niagara Falls, on Feb. 8th, 1921, and on this occasion the third degree was worked in a most creditable manner by Wor. Bro. Scott, assisted by past masters. We were greatly pleased to see R. W. Bro. C. J. Didemus at his old stand in the Secretary's chair, he having been very seriously ill for more than three years. Books are in good shape, dues well paid up and lodge in a most prosperous condition.

My visit to Mountain Lodge, Thorold, Ont., was on Feb. 10th, 1921, and the reception I received from the brethren here was most enthusiastic. The lodge room was filled to capacity, brethren from surrounding lodges being present. The first degree was conferred in a most acceptable manner by Wor. Bro. O'Connor, assisted by past masters.

On Feb. 24th., 1921. I visited Maple Leaf Lodge, St. Catharines, and was greeted by an exceptionally large turn out. The first degree was exemplified in excellent manner by Wor. Bro. Sherk, assisted by past masters. The lodge is in excellent working condition, and it is very

significant to remark that R. W. Bro. Harry Johnston is still taking an active part after thirty years of service. Books in good shape and due well paid up.

I visited King Edward VII Lodge, Chippawa on March 2nd, 1921. The first degree was conferred by past masters, the worshipful master being ill on this occasion. This lodge has a number of past masters and to intimate that they are enthusiastic in their work is putting it mildly, for their work in conferring the first degree was excellent. Secretary's books in good shape and dues well paid up.

My official visit to Copestone Lodge, Welland, was on March 3rd, 1921., and on this occasion the E. A. degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Sommerville, assisted by past masters. There was a large attendance and the young officers deserve much praise for the manner in which they go about their work. The secretary's books in the hands of Wor. Bro. T. Main are kept in good shape.

On March 16th. 1921, I visited Temple Lodge, St. Catharines. The first degree was conferred in a most acceptable manner by the Worshipful master, assisted by past masters. This is the home lodge of R. W. Bro. McLean, and the tenets of the fraternity are well guarded. The lodge is favored with a large number of active past masters, which greatly relieves the work of the worshipful master. The dues are well paid up and the secretary's books are in most capable hands, Wor. Bro. C. Brown, being a very active and accurate officer.

McNab Lodge, Port Colborne, was visited officially on March 22nd, when the third degree was conferred in a highly creditable manner, the Worshipful Master being assisted by Wor. Bro. Fawcett and Wor. Bro. Kinnear. R. W. Bro. McLean of St. Catharines, was a visitor on this occasion and his address was most timely and appropriate.

On March 23rd, I visited the oldest and most historical lodge in the district, Niagara Lodge No. 2, Niagara on the Lake, and witnessed the conferring of the third degree in an almost perfect manner. Worshipful Master Slingerland was assisted by Wor. Bros. Currie and Stewart

and their manner of rendering the various charges was most remarkable. I have never seen the work done better, and feel that the lodge is surely reflecting honor by its work upon the respected and revered officers of the past century.

Palmer Lodge, Bridgeburg, was visited on April 5th. This being my mother lodge, I felt right at home. We had an exceptionally large attendance, many brethren being present from Niagara Falls, Chippawa and Buffalo. The second degree work was done in splendid manner by Wor. Bro. Stamp, and the constitutional charge was given by Wor. Bro. Rapleje of King Edward Lodge, Chippawa. Lodge quarters are very small but an earnest movement is on at present for the erection of a temple that will be a credit to the district. The dues are well paid up and books well kept by Wor. Bro. N. D. Graham.

On April 7th, 1921, I made my official visit to Clifton Lodge, Niagara Falls, and was given a most hearty welcome. There was an exceptionally large attendance which included members of the other lodges at Niagara Falls and Chippawa. The first degree was worked in faultless style by Wor. Bro. Muir, assisted by past masters. In the absence of the Junior Warden, the Senior Warden gave the charge from the South and his work in this particular was worthy of comment. The pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a Past Master's jewel to Wor. Bro. Limburner, who surely earned all the honors the lodge might bestow upon him. His record for the previous year was sixty-five initiations and sixty-five third degrees. The dues are well paid up and books in excellent shape, being well kept by R. W. Bro. Warren.

Merritt Lodge, Welland, was visited officially on April 18th, 1921, and on this occasion I was received by an exceptionally large attendance. The third degree was worked by the Worshipful Master and his work was worthy of much commendation. A pleasing feature was the address of Bro. Archdeacon Perry.

My visit to Myrtle Lodge, Port Robinson, was on April 19th, 1921, and I was welcomed in most enthusiastic fashion. Worshipful Master Romp assisted by past masters conferred the third degree in a very impressive manner.



On April 21st, 1921, I visited Union Lodge, Grimsby, Ont. The night was anything but inviting but a good attendance was on hand and the first degree was worked in splendid form by Worshipful Master Robertson, assisted by past masters. The work of the Junior Warden is worthy of particular mention. The new quarters occupied by this lodge are without exception the finest in the district and the brethren are to be congratulated.

Ivy Lodge, Beamsville, was visited on May 17th, and my welcome here was most cordial. The first degree was conferred in a splendid manner by the Worshipful Master, assisted by past masters. The members of this lodge are very enthusiastic Masons and interest is maintained at a high pitch. Short speeches were made, notable among them being that of Wor. Bro. Rev. Cooper.

On May 23rd, 1921, I visited Phoenix Lodge, Font-hill, and was given a most hearty welcome by the brethren. My visit to this lodge was held over for a month, owing to the bereavement in the families of the Worshipful Master and Junior Warden. The third degree was conferred by the Worshipful Master with the assistance of several past masters, and the work was up to the standard. On this occasion I was agreeably surprised by the presence of so many members of other lodges, which speaks well for the fraternal spirit existing here.

I was unable to keep my appointment to visit Seymour Lodge, Port Dalhousie, in March, but called on the brethren at their regular meeting in June 8th. The third degree was exemplified in an impressive manner by the Worshipful Master assisted by past masters. Wor. Bro. Stewart, of Niagara Lodge, was present and is now located in Port Dalhousie. He would be a valuable addition to any lodge and Seymour Lodge will surely profit by his presence. Wor. Bro. T. Johnston is secretary, and his books are in good shape. Dues are a little behind, owing to shutting down of industries.

On June 14th. I made my official visit to Dufferin Lodge, Wellandport, and while it was the last official call, it surely was far from being the least. The attendance was exceptionally large and the reception accorded was most hearty. Many brethren were present from Copestone, Phoenix, Amity and Palmer Lodges. The



third degree was conferred by Past Masters in a very impressive manner. The sympathy of the district is extended to Wor. Bro. Silverthorn, the present master in his bereavement, his wife having passed to the great beyond. Three charter members of the lodge, Wor. Bros. Shafley, Holmes and Cohoe were present and their faithfulness to the lodge is a real source of inspiration to the younger brethren. The secretary's books are in capable hands, Wor. Bro. Steward being very accurate and he reports that the dues are well paid up.

I have always maintained that in naming their District Deputy, the District was showing consideration to the lodge from which the officer hails and his election is just as much a distinction to his mother lodge as it is an honor to him.

In conclusion, I wish to again thank the brethren for the honor they conferred upon me, in electing me to the office of District Deputy. I wish also to thank the officers and brethren of the various lodges for the whole hearted receptions accorded me on the occasions of my visits. The work of the year has been a wonderful inspiration to me and I only hope that in my humble way I have been able to do something for the brethren to assist them in being better men and better Masons in the lodge and out of it, for it is along that line of thought that I have endeavoured to work throughout the district.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM C. TAIT, D.D.G.M.,

Niagara District No. 10.

## TORONTO WEST DISTRICT NO. 11.

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is a pleasing duty to present to you a report on the condition of Masonry, as at present exists, in the Eleventh District.

Immediately on assuming office I published and promulgated, among the lodges of the District, a circular letter in which I expressed to the membership my gratitude for the honor that had been conferred upon me, asking for their hearty co-operation and suggesting to them that it was the intention of myself and District Secretary to pay two visits to each lodge before our term of office had expired. I have the honor to advise that this plan has been fulfilled with very great pleasure, even with the expense of an unusual amount of time and energy, to ourselves, if we have read aright the kindly thoughts expressed by the Master and Officers of the several lodges, with much satisfaction to them. We undertook to make our first visit an informal one with the view of preventing any feeling of nervousness on the part of the Master, Wardens and Officers and Members on the occasion of our official visitation. We believe that this hope was very largely accomplished and that better degrees have been the result.

As soon as installed into office we requested W. Bro. Dr. W. H. Wright of High Park Lodge to serve as District Secretary. The wisdom of our choice is found in universal favor with which he has been received by every lodge in the District and is enhanced by the fact that he has been so impressed with the duty that came to him that he has given of his time and Masonic capabilities equally freely with the District Deputy Grand Master and has, in addition, most conscientiously fulfilled all of the clerical duties of his office. He has never permitted anything to interfere with his office as District Secretary with the result that the District has been served most promptly and capably throughout this term. We avail

ourselves of the opportunity of acknowledging, in the presence of Grand Lodge, the service that he has so willingly and so pleasantly rendered.

We have found Masonry in a splendid condition in District No. Eleven. Good work is in evidence almost without exception. Much enthusiasm is everywhere prevalent and with this almost unlimited spirit of desire to spread fraternity has been coupled the wish to adhere strictly to the traditions and established usages and customs of Masonry. Dignity has been an outstanding feature of the Masters, Wardens and Officers both within the lodge and at the banquet table with little of exception. Just on one or two occasions have we witnessed in the entertainment any feature that was not in accord with the principles that prevail in all well regulated lodges. On such occasions we have quietly drawn the attention of the Master to the disrespect and we believe that in every instance the resolution has been made that in the future no exception can be taken to the programme that will be presented.

In one or two instances we have found irregularities, usually minor, and we have on each occasion referred to them and brought them to the attention of the Grand Master. In this we shall doubtless have left ourselves open to criticism but as the Representative of the Grand Master in our District we should have been unworthy of the trust confided to us if we had not fearlessly and truthfully reported conditions as we found them. The most unusual of these irregularities was the procedure in one lodge of having the minutes type-written and then placed in the minute-book. We trust that this irregularity has been discontinued.

Masonic courtesy prevails upon me to acknowledge, with the deepest sense of appreciation, the very great encouragement and support tendered to me by the Master Wardens and Officers and Members of High Park Lodge throughout the official year. Both W. Bro. Dr. F. C. Becker the Master of 1920, and W. Bro. W. J. Moore, the Master of 1921, and their Officers and Members have been most willing to accept any duty that would tend to make our visit to any portion of the District a success from the view-point of the promulgation of real fraternity

and we have not made a single visit when the Master and many of his members were not with us from High Park Lodge. This proved a real inspiration to us and likewise a decided pleasure to the lodges that were being visited. In all of our visits to out of Toronto Lodges the membership of this real live and well-conducted lodge furnished automobiles to take all who might wish to pay the fraternal visit. It mattered not to them whether those wishing to go belonged to this particular lodge or not they were always glad to find them a means of conveyance. These whole-hearted, genuine brothers are so numerous that we are unable to make mention of them all. They are now pretty favorably known throughout District No. Eleven.

### Visitations.

September 16th, 1920, we visited and were extended a most cordial reception by High Park Lodge. There was no mistaking the genuineness of their fraternity and their high ambition to make the Official Year of the District Deputy Grand Master a success, this determination never lessened but rather increased as the months progressed. On this occasion we were honored by the attendance of R. W. Bro., Dr. E. Bull, R. W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, V. W. Bro. Professor Wright and W. Bro. Dr. W. H. Wright, District Secretary.

October 7th we informally visited Alpha Lodge, in addition to the District Secretary, V.W. Bro. R. B. Magill attended. The evening was well spent. Acacia Lodge of Hamilton were guests.

October 20th we visited Occident Lodge. It was an informal visit. We witnessed, with pleasure, the conferring of the Fellow-Craft Degree by the Past Masters of the Lodge, V. W. Bro. R. B. Magill fulfilling the duties of Worshipful Master.

October 21st again visited High Park Lodge and had the pleasure of seeing Tecumseh Lodge, Stratford, confer the Master Mason's Degree on the Hon. Peter Smith.

At the Banquet Table I had the honor of proposing the Toast to the Prime Minister and the Province of Ontario. Hon. E. C. Drury very fittingly and ably acknowledged the Toast.

October 22nd, accompanied by sixteen members from Toronto, among whom was the M. Wor. the Grand Master, we visited, unofficially, River Park Lodge at Streetsville. This was a very happy and profitable meeting.

October 26th we had the honor of attending at Mimico Lodge, Lambton Mills, and presenting to R. W. Bro. Dr. E. Bull the regalia which marks his rank in Masonry. His lodge also presented him with the undress regalia. A good number of distinguished Masons were in attendance.

October 28th we had a delightful, though informal, visit with Mizpah lodge.

October 29th we officially visited True Blue Lodge, Bolton. Three automobiles transported the Toronto Brethren who attended with us. The Master and his officers conferred the Fellow Craft Degree in splendid form and altogether we had a very profitable evening.

We found that True Blue Lodge had much outstanding dues but at our second visit that unfortunate condition had been pretty well corrected.

November 1st we accompanied W. Bro. Dr. F. C. Becker, his Officers and Members, to the number of 188, of High Park Lodge No. 531 on a fraternal visit to Ionic Lodge of Hamilton. The officers of High Park Lodge conferred the Entered Apprentice degree in beautiful form. They presented Ionic Lodge with a set of splendid wands and with their Choir and Orchestra furnished the programme of the evening much to the delight of the Hamilton brethren.

November 2nd we visited, unofficially, Stanley Lodge and witnessed them confer the Fellow Craft degree. It was a very great pleasure to see the work so splendidly done.

November 5th we were at St. George Lodge. The item of chief interest on that occasion was the election of officers.



November 10th we attended the constitution and consecration ceremony of Kilwinning Lodge. It was a very decided pleasure to assist the M. W. the Grand Master on this occasion. This lodge has made splendid progress during its short term of existence.

November 11th we visited University Lodge. In addition to their annual elections they conferred the Master Mason's Degree. The Senior Warden did the secret work. It was an unofficial visit.

November 12th we were at Parkdale Lodge and witnessed the conferring of the third degree. This too was an informal visit.

November 15th we were present and assisted with the constitution and consecration ceremony of King Hiram Lodge. It was conducted by the M. W. the Grand Master in ample form.

November 16th we visited Ionic Lodge at Brampton. It was an unofficial visit. We had ample opportunity to study the proficiency of the officers. They conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on five candidates. A very pleasing feature of the evening was the attendance of brethren from True Blue, Mississauga and Peel Lodges.

November 19th we visited Blackwood Lodge. It was the occasion of their annual elections. No degree work was exemplified. We were very cordially received.

November 23rd we visited Temple Lodge. It was the occasion of their annual elections. We served as scrutineer. R. W. Bro. Col. W. N. Ponton, Deputy Grand Master was present and delivered a most pleasing and instructive address.

November 26th we officially visited Humber Lodge. The work was very largely distributed by the Master among the Past Masters of the Lodge, and was creditably done though not as letter perfect as in many other lodges. This is a most fraternal lodge and are splendidly spreading real fraternity which ought at all times to be one of the chief missions of our Order.

December 3rd we visited King Hiram Lodge and invested the officers of the Lodge. This lodge has amply justified the granting of their warrant.

December 9th we informally attended at Connaught Lodge. It was the occasion of their annual election. The meeting was a real exemplification of fraternity. We were most happily introduced by W. Bro. Phil. Brown.

December 10th we were present at The General Mercer Lodge and with R. W. Bro. Dr. W. J. McCollum and V. W. Bros. R. B. Magill and C. H. C. Wright assisted R. W. Bro. A. B. Rice with the installation ceremony. It was a most pleasing evening.

December 14th visited Mt. Sinai Lodge and engaged in a small part of the installation ceremony which was conducted by R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully. R. W. Bro. T. Barber and G. McLeish were also assisting with the installation of officers.

December 16th we had the honor of installing the officers of High Park Lodge. It was a very largely attended and most enthusiastic meeting. Many Past Grand Lodge officers were present and participated in the installation and investiture of the officers.

December 17th we visited Tuscan Lodge and at the request of M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson assisted in the installation and investiture of the Master, his Wardens and officers.

December 21st we were present at Victoria Lodge and were given the honor of assisting in a small way in installing and investing the officers of the lodge. The ceremony was splendidly performed by V. W. Bro. W. Birrell.

December 23rd officially visited Mizpah Lodge. The Entered Apprentice degree was well exemplified by the Master and officers. The attendance of the membership was large. The meeting was addressed at the Banquet table by Bro. Rev. Clayton.

Jan. 3rd, 1921 we visited Ulster Lodge. It was the occasion of the installation of their officers. The ceremony was in charge of the M. W. the Grand Master and was conducted in a manner well becoming the Chief Ruler of the Craft. The retiring Master was presented with a Past Master's jewel and with a beautiful set of china.

January 6th again visited Alpha Lodge and shared in the installation of the officers.

January 13th we visited Mississauga Lodge officially and witnessed a splendid rendering of the Entered Apprentice degree by the Master, his wardens and officers. R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Smith was in attendance.

January 14th we installed the officers of Parkdale Lodge. We were assisted by the District Secretary, R. W. Bro. E. W. Saunders, W. Bro. W. J. Moore and many of the Past Masters of the lodge. This was the second visit that we had made to Parkdale Lodge and was quite as enjoyable as the first.

January 18th we informally visited Shamrock Lodge and assisted R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully with the installing and investing of the officers.

January 27th we had the very great honor of instituting Fidelity Lodge. We were assisted by the District Secretary, R. W. Bro. A. J. Brown and many Past Grand officers and a goodly number of Past Masters. This lodge with R. W. Bro. Rev. George H. Purchase as their first Master began their career under most auspicious circumstances and we predict for them a splendid future. They were most appreciative of our part as the instituting officer and most kindly referred to the same. They have applied for a warrant and will no doubt be given a most kindly consideration by the committee on warrants; they are in every sense worthy of every encouragement.

January 31st we attended High Park Lodge's At Home which was held at the King Edward Hotel. There was an immense attendance of the members, their ladies and friends. It was in every respect one of the most enjoyable and best conducted events that we have ever attended. We congratulated W. Bro. Moore, his Wardens and Officers and Members on the success of the evening. It was an occasion of real fraternity.

February 4th we officially visited St. George's Lodge and witnessed a splendid exemplification of Degree work. This lodge is most fortunate in the number of capable and enthusiastic Past Masters that are enrolled among its membership.

February 11th we were represented in an official visit to Parkdale Lodge by R. W. Bro. Dr. W. J. McCollum. The District Secretary, W. Bro. Dr. W. H. Wright was present also and these two distinguished officers report a splendid meeting and excellent work on the part of the Master, wardens and officers. I regretted very much that I had to forego this visit owing to my absence from the city. I had however already had two visits with them and knew that the Grand Master was well and worthily represented that night.

February 15th we officially visited Shamrock Lodge and witnessed a splendid exemplification of the Entered Apprentice degree. This was a very large and well conducted meeting. The programme at the banquet table was a very pleasing one.

February 17th we again visited High Park Lodge. As usual they had a wonderfully large meeting and a most excellent programme.

February 18th we officially visited Peel Lodge at Caledon East. The Master, wardens and officers deserved every commendation for a splendid conferring of the Fellow Craft degree. They are strong in fraternity and their hospitality is unexcelled.

March 3rd we officially visited Alpha Lodge. This was a wonderful meeting. The work was of exceptional merit. The candidate, a nephew of Past Master McKenzie, was a splendid character and was well and favorably initiated into the mysteries and privileges of Freemasonry. The Brampton Male Chorus had charge of the Musical Ritual as well as of the after programme and gave the meeting a very excellent evening of music. We met them on several occasions and commend them most highly on the choice of selections that they furnish. V. W. Bro. W. Ledger was present on this occasion.

March 8th we officially visited Mt. Sinai Lodge. This lodge has a most enthusiastic Master, wardens and officers. There are no dull moments for the members and their visitors. The work was high class in every respect and the programme an excellent one. They are filling a most important role in the Masonic world in the city of Toronto.

March 10th we officially attended at Connaught Lodge. The Master was most happy in his reception of the representative of the Grand Master. He and his wardens and officers and assisting Past Masters did splendid work. They too are a most enthusiastic membership and know how to dispense real brotherhood.

March 11th we were delighted to officially visit General Mercer Lodge and to witness a splendid exemplification of degree work. W. Bro. Copland is a most earnest worker. He brings a dignity and grace to the office of Master that enlists the hearty support of a very ambitious membership.

March 16th we visited Occident Lodge officially and witnessed with pleasure the work of the Master and his wardens and officers. The work was gratifying both to those who were inspecting and to those who were engaged in it. We believe that they felt that they had favorably impressed their candidate.

March 17th we inspected High Park Lodge. They had a most glorious meeting. Indeed when one uses such a term in describing a meeting of High Park Lodge they are merely repeating what is said of each and every meeting that they have held since their institution. We have seldom, if ever, witnessed such a continuance of well-sustained interest as is shown by the officers and members of this lodge all indicative of their intense interest in Craft Masonry. One must make mention of their unusually splendid meetings of the Board of General Purposes and likewise their largely attended Emergent meetings. It is simply delightful to see the members so enthusiastic. On this occasion they were honored by the presence of the M. W. the Grand Master, Fred W. Harcourt, K. C., the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Col. W. N. Ponton, K. C., and M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, K. C.

The work of the evening will long remain as an example of excellence of ritualistic effort. W. Bro. Moore and his Officers were all most highly congratulated on the perfection of their work and upon the interest that each Officer manifested in his connection with the official staff of the lodge for 1921. They were strong on detail especially in the musical part of the ceremony. In this feature



they have a most enviable reputation. They have without exception one of the best Masonic Choirs of which the Jurisdiction of Ontario can boast and in addition have a large and well conducted Orchestra. These two musical organizations always furnish a programme of unusual merit and have been most favorably commented upon by many Masons of much distinction. The lodge is indeed fortunate in these two assisting and co-operating organizations. The programme on this night was of a very splendid character, the music was delightful and the addresses of the Grand Master in response to the toast ably presented to Grand Lodge by M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and of R. W. Bro. Ponton, Deputy Grand Master in response to the Toast presented by the District Deputy Grand Master, were masterly and delightfully pleasing and entertaining and instructive. It was another of many most inspiring nights that we have spent in this lodge.

March 18th we officially attended Kilwinning Lodge. There is an atmosphere and a charm to the meetings of this lodge that are not duplicated in many. Loyal to the country of their nativity beyond question, they have carried into their lodge that same loyalty of purpose and action with the result that W. Bro. Smith Shaw can always boast of a meeting surcharged with intensity of interest. The Master Mason's Degree was exemplified in ample and excellent form and was heartily approved and commented upon by the speakers of the night. Their music, well there there is nothing like it anywhere else in the District. It was a most pleasant night as was also the night we spent with them when they entertained their Ladies. They are not forgetful of those whose forbearance is oft times taxed through their enthusiasm for the Craft.

March 22nd we had the pleasure of witnessing a splendid rendition of the Entered Apprentice degree when we officially visited Temple Lodge. The master and his Officers were highly commended for the capable manner in which they had each served the office for which they had been chosen. The tenor of the banquet-room programme too was of a most worthy type.

March 25th we officially visited Zeta lodge and were delighted with the excellence of the work as exemplified

by the officers of the lodge. In this lodge as in all the lodges throughout the district we have found an earnestness of purpose prevalent among the Officers to exemplify the true spirit of Masonry and to give in return for the honor that has been bestowed upon them their very best capabilities. This is the spirit that brings results and we congratulate Zeta Lodge that there is no relaxing of the desire to worthily uphold the traditions of Masonry. Their Entertainment was of an excellent character. The evening was a very enjoyable and profitable one.

April 1st we inspected the work of the Master, wardens and officers of King Hiram Lodge and were delighted to find that this, one of the more recently instituted lodges is giving such a splendid account of itself in the duties it has assumed. The work of the Master and his officers deserved and received the commendation of the District Deputy Grand Master. They have as a lodge readily and quickly taken their place in the front ranks of Masonry and are doing a work that will be pleasing to the officers of Grand Lodge.

April 4th we were present in official capacity at Ulster Lodge. The work of the Master and his associate officers was delightfully pleasing. It was excellent in every respect and well merited the favorable commendation that it received from the Inspecting Officer and others who addressed the membership at the banquet table. These brothers are large of heart and sympathy and delight in doing honor to the Representative of the Grand Master in their district.

April 5th we officially visited Stanley Lodge. On this occasion the father of the Master was present to show his pride in the honor that the lodge had conferred upon the son. He had been present, though living at some some distance, when the had been received into the lodge and had made a very personal effort to be in attendance when the Master and his Officers should be inspected. He was, we know, proud to hear the favorable comments that were passed about the character of the work and the Master was even more proud to fulfil not only his own but the father's ambitions and desires as the representative of King Solomon.

April 12th we were present officially to inspect Mimico Lodge. We have to thank the Master, Wardens and Officers for arranging to be inspected at an Emergent Meeting, just to suit our convenience. We were more than agreeably delighted and even surprised to find that the attendance was quite as large as they have at their Regular Meetings. The Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred in a delightfully pleasing manner. Every Officer did his very best with the result that the meeting was most pleasing to those who were present in an official capacity.

April 14th we visited in our official capacity, University lodge. They conferred the Master Mason's Degree in a most dignified manner. In a lodge where the membership is composed very largely of University Graduates one quite naturally expects to find the degrees well conferred and we were not disappointed in this respect. There was a deliberateness and dignity about every Officer's work that commanded favorable reference by the District Deputy-Grand Master. This lodge serves in a most admirable degree to keep the undergraduate body who belong to out-of-the-city lodges interested in the Craft and is to be congratulated on having such a field for service.

April 15th we were delightfully received by the Master of Tuscan Lodge, his Officers and Members. W. Bro. A. A. Gray is a most earnest and sincere Officer and member of the Craft. He brings to his office a dignity and sincerity of purpose and action that must be exceedingly helpful to those who are admitted to the Lodge and, during his term of office, to his especial care and guardianship. The work of the evening was a splendid reflection of the hopes and ambitions of the Master, it was excellent of character and left a most favorable imprint upon those who were present.

April 19th we officially visited Victoria Lodge. It has become an established custom with them to confer the Fellow Craft Degree on the night of their inspection. It may be that they have, for this reason, specialized in this degree, yet while the work was of a splendid character we believe that the officers are capable of equally

well exemplifying the other degrees. The lodge holds a very enviable position among the members of the Craft that meet in that part of the city.

April 22nd we attended, in our official position, at Blackwood Lodge. The Master, while young in membership did his work excellently. He received and deservedly so, the most complimentary reference to his ritualistic effort and he was ably assisted by earnest and efficient officers. This Lodge while not strong in membership is doing a good service to the Craft and to the community in which it is situate.

April 29th we were present when the M. W. the Grand Master dedicated the new hall secured by Parkdale Lodge and in which Parkdale, Sunnyside and Fidelity lodges are now meeting. This is one of the best Lodge Rooms in the City of Toronto. The appointments are of the best with perhaps the exception of ample ante-room space. This I understand they hope to remedy in the near future and when this is done they will be most happily situated.

May 12th we informally visited Mississauga Lodge. The Officers conferred the Master Mason's Degree in a very pleasing manner. They were assisted by the Choir of High Park Lodge who very unselfishly attended for that purpose. It was a very pleasing night and not the least pleasing part of it was the programme rendered at the banquet table by High Park Lodge Choir under the leadership of Bro. D. S. Lindon.

May 17th we officially visited Ionic Lodge of Brampton. We had been amply convinced of the excellence of the work of the Officers of the lodge when we had visited them in November. This second visit further persuaded us that Ionic Lodge is well officered and that those who are received into membership are started on their Masonic career under very favorable circumstances. They are indeed fortunate in having such a splendid choir. The banquet provided in the armouries was ample evidence of their splendid hospitality. Here again the choir served them well and pleasingly.

A very delightful feature of the meeting was the presentation of a Past Master's Jewel to each of the Past Masters. These were highly appreciated.



May 18th we had the honor of instituting Sunnyside Lodge. We were ably assisted by the District Secretary, by R. W. Bro. Bro. A. J. Brown and other Past Grand Officers. They have begun their masonic career under most happy auspices. The Master and Officers are all enthusiastic and earnest Masons and we are persuaded that this lodge will fulfill its mission in a very splendid manner. We were delighted to refer in most eulogistic terms to the excellence of their programme in the banquet room. If they will continue the same tone in all of their entertainments they will surely bring an uplift to their Fourths that will be pleasing to all Grand Lodge Officers. We expect to see this lodge develop into a most potent factor for good in this District.

May 20th we informally visited Peel Lodge at Caledon East. Our visit on this occasion was quite as delightful as on the former visit. Their hospitality was most pronounced and we were glad to have with us R. W. Bro. Fallis and a goodly number from Brampton and Toronto.

May 26th we inspected Fidelity Lodge which had been instituted in the early part of the year. We found that the Officers are thoroughly familiar with all of their official duties and that the degrees are being well conferred. There is no doubt as to the success of this lodge. They are started well and cannot, with due precaution, do other than flourish.

May 27th we attended unofficially at True Blue Lodge, Bolton and while no degree was conferred, it being the occasion of their annual election, were delighted to have the the opportunity of again meeting with the brothers of that lodge and their guests. They presented W. Bro. Norton with a Past Master's Jewel, the first time, we understand that this honor has come to a Past Master in True Blue.

June 13th we had the honor of instituting Transportation Lodge. This was a most enthusiastic meeting and many distinguished guests were present. We were ably assisted in the ceremony of institution by R. W. Bro. A. J. Brown, V. W. Bro. A. G. Horwood, W. Bros. Dargavel, Repath, Moore and others.



The Lodge gives evidence of being one of the very best. Their first Master, R. W. Bro. John Boyd, is a Mason who has made for himself a most enviable record. The lodge is to be congratulated on having been able to enlist his capabilities during the formative period. A short period under his masterly guidance will have led them far toward that honorable position to which all lodges ought to strive to attain.

Their invitations were most unique and bore evidence of having been conceived in the brain of the skilled transportation officer. The pass issued to their guests of that night confer a life-long privilege of travelling with the lodge on the occasion of all their meetings whether regular or emergent and we trust that many will exercise the full favors of that pass. We believe that this lodge is destined to a very useful career in the annals of Masonry. Their programme at the banquet table was a very pleasing one. We repeat that the lodge is well officered and that we predict a splendid future for it.

June 14th we officially visited River Park Lodge. We were honored by the attendance of about forty-five members from High Park Lodge. The work gave ample evidence of the capable Officer in every station from Master to Tyler. The Wardens who will in all probability successively advance to the position of Master are both strong Officers and we can safely predict that the lodge is bound to make good progress in the future as it has in the past. Their fourth degree was a wonderful evidence of hospitality and good-fellowship. We were delighted with our reception.

June 24th we were represented at an informal visit to Humber Lodge by R. W. Bro. A. J. Anderson and our District Secretary. They report a splendid evening. R. W. Bro. Anderson installed the officers being assisted by the District Secretary and the Past Masters of the Lodge. The Installing Officer was presented with life membership by the lodge.

June 27th through absence from the city I was compelled to make arrangement for the inspection of Transportation Lodge. V. W. A. J. Brown and the District Secretary fulfilled this duty admirably and report

the Officers of the lodge as proficient and capable. This inspection was made possible and convenient through the courtesy of W. Bro. A. A. Gray. We thank him for his kindness.

July 4th we officially visited Sunnyside Lodge for the purpose of inspecting the proficiency of the Officers and the general condition of the lodge. We were delighted to find that though but recently instituted they have thus early assumed their duties and responsibilities with a seriousness that indoubtably means for the lodge a successful history. We found every indication that the M. W. the Grand Master had been well warranted in granting them a Dispensation to meet as Masons and to conduct the affairs of a well-organized lodge. We congratulate them on the splendid conditions already manifest and predict for them a successful future.

During the Masonic year Grand Lodge has lost some of her distinguished and enthusiastic members. Among these the names of R. W. Bro. James G. Cane of Zeta Lodge, V. W. Bro. Robert Charlton of Occident and High Park Lodges and R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully of Mount Sinai and Tuscan lodges will be among those most revered.

In closing we wish to announce that we have, we believe, pretty generally succeeded in convincing the lodges in the District that the questions that have been asked of the candidate should be answered by the candidate and without any prompting from the Junior Deacon. We found that in nearly every lodge the Deacon had been attempting to interpret the heart of the candidate in this preliminary examination and believing this to be wrong we sought to correct it.

We are most grateful for the opportunity that we have had to serve the District and for the privilege of being associated with such genuine members of the Craft. Everywhere we have been accorded the most hearty evidence of loyalty to the Representative of the M. W. the Grand Master.

There has been an ever-present effort on the part of every Master and his Officers to extend to us every possible courtesy and assistance. Our duties have accordingly been made much more pleasant and for the

same reason decidedly less onerous. Indeed we can truthfully say that our year of service has been one of decided advantage and benefit to ourself and of very great joy as well. Our vision has been very greatly extended and our faith in the members of the Craft immensely increased.

My sincere thanks are gratefully tendered to my most faithful and efficient District Secretary and to all who so generously assisted me in whatsoever respect.

Fraternally submitted,

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District No. 11.

**TORONTO EAST DISTRICT NO. 11A.**

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren.

I have the honor to present herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Toronto East District.

Allow me first to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of district No. 11A for the great honor they conferred upon me in July 1920, in unanimously electing me as their District Deputy Grand Master, also for their very loyal support throughout the year, their uniform kindness and sincere welcome which made the arduous work a pleasure and a year ever to be remembered. It has been my privilege to visit nearly every lodge personally and where it was impossible for me to do so I sent a very able substitute. I found Masonry practised throughout the district in an eminent degree and the district is in a very flourishing condition. I was everywhere given a hearty welcome and right royally entertained. My first official duty was to appoint Wor. Bro. T. H. Foster of Brock Lodge, No. 354, as District Secretary, which office he has filled with skill and ability and I am much indebted to him for advice and assistance. He has reported to me that the records of every Lodge are kept in the very best shape and that the Secretaries are of a very high class indeed.

Feb. 7th, 1921, pursuant to a dispensation granted by the M. W. the Grand Master, I instituted Mimosa Lodge in Acacia Masonic Temple.

The lodge got off to an excellent start. The brethren are very enthusiastic and I bespeak a very bright future for the lodge. A great number of applications were read at this meeting.

Zeredatha Lodge, Uxbridge. I made my official visit to this lodge on Sept. 27th, 1920. It was with a great deal of pleasure that I looked forward to my visit to Zeredatha Lodge as Uxbridge was my home when a boy and consequently I personally knew a great many of the brethren. A very large attendance was present, including brethren

from many parts of the province. The work of the first degree was exemplified by W. M. J. O. Barlett and his staff of officers in a very efficient manner. While all the officers did their work exceptionally well, the work of the J. W., Bro. W. Tunstill, deserves special mention. This lodge is in a very flourishing condition and the best of harmony prevails.

St. John's Lodge, No. 75. I officially visited St. John's Lodge Oct. 4th, 1920. There was a very large attendance and I was given a hearty welcome and royally received. The work of the first degree was well exemplified by W. M. Thos. Forsyth and his very capable staff of officers. A number of Past Masters took part in the work which I think is a good practice in order to keep them familiar with and interested in the work. This lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

King Edward Lodge, Sunderland, My official visit to King Edward Lodge was made Oct. 15th, A very large attendance was present, the largest in the history of the lodge. I witnessed the work of the third degree which was done by W.M.N. McPhaden and his officers in a very creditable manner. Considering the age of the W. M., his work deserves special mention as it was certainly done well. He was assisted by some Past Masters who keep their work up well. After the work of the third degree was over and after the remarks of the D. D. G. M., R. W. Bro. Tugwell gave a talk on the work of the first degree which was both interesting and enlightening.

Ionic Lodge, No. 25. I visited this lodge on Feb. 2nd, 1921. There was a very small attendance. The work of the first degree was exemplified by W. M. Boyd and his officers. The W. M. did his work well. The J. W. gave the old ritualistic lecture and it was very interesting to me. The work of the other officers was fairly well done.

Georgina Lodge, No. 343. The date of my official inspection was set by the Officers and brethren of Georgina Lodge for Saturday Feb. 5th, 1921. It was impossible for me to attend on that evening, a circumstance which I regretted very much. I consequently requested R. W. Bro. Jno. A. Graham, P. D. D. G. M., to act in my stead, which he very kindly consented to do. He reported that



the work of the first degree was exemplified in a most efficient manner as has always been the case in this lodge, the books in perfect shape, and a very enjoyable evening spent.

John Ross Roberston Lodge, No. 545. I paid my official visit to this lodge on Feb. 15th, 1921, in the Masonic Temple, Balsam Ave. There was a very large attendance of members and visitors. Although the W. M., W. T. Mills informed me that this was the first regular meeting after installation, the work of the first degree was exemplified in a very excellent manner, leaving nothing more to be desired. All the officers did their work well and harmony prevails.

Acacia Lodge, No. 430. I officially visited this lodge on Feb. 21st, 1921. There was a very large attendance, the room being scarcely large enough to accommodate all present. The work of the first degree was exemplified in a perfect manner, every officer doing his work up to a high standard. The brethren are very enthusiastic and the work is carried on very harmoniously. This lodge has been growing very fast and on account of the size of lodge room it was felt that the best interests of Masonry could be better served by forming a new Lodge, an offspring of Acacia, called "Mimosa". W. M. Pace is to be congratulated on his work.

Canada Lodge, No. 532. I officially visited this lodge on March 4th, 1921, in the Masonic Hall, Logan Ave. I was heartily received and royally entertained. A large attendance of brethren was present which shows that a very keen interest was taken in the work. I had the pleasure of the company of R. W. Bro. Whitby of Alberta on this occasion. I witnessed the work of the first degree exemplified by W. M. F. Busted and his officers in a very impressive manner, which left nothing more to be desired.

The Beaches Lodge, No. 473. I officially visited this lodge on March 11th, 1921 in the Masonic Temple Balsam Ave. There was a very large attendance at this meeting. I was given a very warm welcome. The first degree was put on by W. M. Bond and his very efficient staff of officers. The work was done with precision and exactness and I cannot commend the work too highly. Enthusiasm and Harmony are prevailing features.

Orient Lodge, No. 339. I officially visited this lodge on April 5th, 1921. This is the oldest lodge in this section of the city. I was received by W. M. Ferrier in a very cordial manner and made welcome. The work of the first degree was very ably demonstrated by the W. M. and his officers. All seem to take a very keen interest in the work and Masonry in this lodge is in good hands.

Queen City Lodge, No. 552. I paid my official visit to this lodge on April 6th, 1921, when the work of the first degree was well demonstrated by W. M. Gibbons and his officers all doing their work with much credit. A large number were present and all enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

Stevenson Lodge, No. 218. I officially visited Stevenson Lodge April 11th, 1921, when I was heartily received by the W.M., officers and brethren. I witnessed the work of the first degree which was done with much credit to all. All the officers from the W. M. to inside guard doing their work beyond criticism and I was very pleased. W. M. Bamlett is a good presiding officer and the work of Stevenson Lodge is in good hands.

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16. I officially visited this grand old lodge, the oldest in the district, on April 12th, 1921. I was enthusiastically received by W. M. Ruthven McDonald and the brethren. The work of the first degree was put on in a very impressive manner, each officer taking plenty of time in delivery, which is sure to have an impression on the candidate. I was well pleased with the work and all enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

Doric Lodge, No. 316. I visited Doric Lodge April 21st, 1921. I was very heartily received by the W.M., officers and brethren. There was a very large attendance. I witnessed the exemplification of the work of the third degree, which was done in an ideal manner. W. M. Wiggins and his able staff of officers did excellent work and I was very well pleased to see it so well done. A pleasing feature of the evening was a practical demonstration of the knowledge of the work of the third degree by two recently raised candidates which was an inspiration to all. After the work was completed W. Bro. McLeod gave a talk on the work of the third degree which was very instructive and enlightening.

Riverdale Lodge, No. 494. I officially visited this lodge on April 22nd, 1921. I was greeted by a very large attendance and I was heartily received by W. M. Cherry, his officers and brethren. The work of the second degree was done in a very creditable manner by the W. M. and his officers. W. Bro. Cherry enjoys the full confidence of the members and they are all very enthusiastic in their work. I was accompanied at this meeting by R. W. Bro. Ford, P. D. D. G. M. from Nova Scotia who at the banquet table gave a very interesting talk on the medical work at the Front during the Great War, which all enjoyed and appreciated very much.

The Imperial Lodge, No. 543. I officially visited this lodge April 25th, 1921. There was a very large number present. I was heartily received and made welcome. I witnessed the work of the third degree, put on by W. M. J. J. Kiernan and his officers in a most satisfactory manner. The work was perfect and much credit is due the W. M. and officers. All enjoyed a splendid evening.

Coronati Lodge, No. 520. Owing to circumstances over which I had no control I was unable at the last minute to personally visit Coronati Lodge on May 10th, as previously arranged. I requested R. W. Bro. W. D. Sprinks to act in my stead which he very kindly consented to do. He reported that the work of the first degree was excellently exemplified by W. M. Rapp and his competent staff of officers that Masonry is practised in a very marked degree and the records were kept in the best of shape.

The Victory Lodge, No. 547. Owing to the same circumstances as on the previous evening, I was unable to visit the Victory Lodge as arranged and consequently requested R. W. Bro. Sprinks to act for me. He reported that the work of initiation was done excellently by W. M. Collins and his officers. The lodge is steadily growing and the members are all well acquainted with each other. The records were found to be in the best of shape.

Doric Lodge, Pickering. I officially visited this lodge May 19th, in the Masonic Hall, Pickering. There was a large attendance, a big delegation coming over from Whitby. The W. M. intended putting on the first de-

gree but unfortunately the candidate took ill a short time before and had to be removed to the hospital. The lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees in a creditable manner. After some remarks and suggestions by the D. D. G. M., the lodge was closed in harmony. All enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

Markham Union Lodge, No. 87. I officially visited this lodge May 20th. I was well received by the W. M. and brethren. There was a very large attendance. The work of the first degree was exemplified in a very efficient manner by W. M. Empringham and his staff of officers. This lodge is doing good work and is in a very healthy condition.

Richardson Lodge, Stanffville I officially visited this lodge May 27th. The brethren turned out in large numbers which taxed the lodge room to its capacity. The first degree was exemplified with much credit by W. M. Armstrong and his officers.

Brougham Union Lodge, No. 269. I officially visited this lodge June 1st, 1921. I was greeted by a large turn out of members. I witnessed the work of the first degree very ably done which was a credit to W. M. Trueman and his officers. This lodge is advancing and doing good work.

Mimosa Lodge, U. D. I officially visited this lodge June 6th, 1921 and was accompanied by P. D. D. G. M. Tugwell. There was a good attendance. I was regularly introduced and heartily received and made welcome. The work of the first degree was beautifully exemplified in a perfect manner and much credit is due to W. M. Heron and his officers. The officers and members are very enthusiastic and take a keen interest in their work. This lodge will without doubt make good. The records were found in first class shape and Mimosa lodge has in W. Bro. H. G. French an ideal secretary.

Brock Lodge, No. 354. I officially visited my own lodge June 15th, 1921, when W. M. C. F. Bick and his officers occupied the chairs. I had on several occasions seen the officers put on the work during the year in a creditable manner. The third degree was demonstrated

on this evening which was very satisfactory. W. Bro. Bick did his work perfectly. This lodge is good in condition and doing good work.

St Aidan's Lodge, No. 567. I was unable to visit St. Aidan's lodge June 17th, as arranged but R. W. Bro. W. D. Sprinks kindly consented to do so for me. He reported that the second degree was rendered in a very impressive manner, that the lodge is doing good work, and is providing special features at its meetings which are of an educational character. The books are in first class shape.

In conclusion I wish to report that not one note of discord has been brought to my attention but that the year has passed with peace and harmony reigning throughout the entire district which has made my year of office very pleasant indeed. Also I wish to express my sincere thanks to R. W. Bro. W. D. Sprinks and R. W. Bro. Jno. Graham who so kindly and ably assisted me in my work.

Fraternally submitted.

EDWARD BLANCHARD, D. D.G. M.

Toronto East District, No. 11A



**TORONTO CENTRE DISTRICT NO. 11B.**

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to present to you my official report on the condition of Masonry in Toronto Masonic District No. 11 B for the past Masonic year.

First of all I should like to again return thanks to the brethren of the District for having elected me to the high and important office of D.D.G.M. I should also like to refer to the kind and courteous receptions tendered to me throughout the District, which I always regarded as a manifestation of the esteem and affection in which the Grand Master is held by the brethren, as well as the devotion and loyalty of the various lodges to Grand Lodge.

I visited all the lodges, and in each of them found the work so carefully and correctly given as to merit the highest commendation, and as a result, my duties were always both easy and pleasant to perform. Not only was the work given accurately, but impressively and with dignity. This applies to every lodge in the district, and for this reason it seems hardly necessary to deal with each lodge individually. One cannot do so and avoid repetition.

Next to the high standard of excellence of work, the thing which impressed me most was the splendid fraternal spirit existing, not only among the members of the individual lodges, but between lodges themselves.

In analysing the reports of the various lodges, it is most encouraging to note the progress that is being made. The District now comprises twenty-seven lodges, with a total membership of approximately six thousand, an increase over last year of over seven hundred members. The amount contributed by the various lodges for relief purpose totals the magnificent sum of over eleven thousand dollars, and the reports indicate all the lodges to be in a very strong and prosperous financial condition.

During the year, by direction of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, I have had the honor of instituting three new lodges, namely,—The Lodge St. Clair, The Harcourt Lodge and War Veterans' Lodge, and I believe the acquisition of these new lodges will add strength and character to Masonry in the District.

An event of more than passing interest was the dedication of the new hall of Malone Lodge No. 512 at Sutton, on Friday evening, May 6. On this visit I was accompanied by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, the father of the Lodge, as well as by a large number of Grand Lodge officers and ruling Masters. The dedication ceremony was conducted by M. W. Bro. Malone, and I gratefully acknowledge the service which he and the other Grand Lodge officers rendered on that occasion. Malone Lodge is to be congratulated on their splendid new building.

I would like to pay a tribute to the Past Masters of the different lodges, not only for the way they turn out to the meetings and the interest they manifest in all the affairs of their lodge, but for the efficient way they perform their work when called upon.

I subjoin a list of the different lodges, and the date visited:

January 17th, Union Lodge, Schomberg.  
January 17, St. Albans Lodge, Toronto.  
January 19, Richmond Lodge, Richmond Hill.  
January 25, Ashlar Lodge, Toronto.  
February 9, Tuscan Lodge, Newmarket.  
February 28, Palestine Lodge, Toronto.  
February 28, Harmony Lodge, Toronto.  
March 4, Rising Sun Lodge, Aurora.  
March 10, King Solomon's Lodge, Toronto.  
March 14, Oakwood Lodge, Toronto.  
March 15, Wilson Lodge, Toronto.  
March 18, York Lodge, Toronto.  
March 23, Metropolitan Lodge, Toronto.  
April 5, Dufferin Lodge, U.D., Toronto.  
April, 20, Antiquity Lodge, U.D., Toronto.  
April 22, Zetland Lodge, Toronto.  
April 27, Malone Lodge, Sutton.  
April 28, Corinthian Lodge, Toronto.

April 19, Sharon Lodge, Queensville.  
May 5, Rehoboam Lodge, Toronto.  
May 16, Robertson Lodge, King.  
May 17, Vaughan Lodge, Maple.  
May 19, Patterson Lodge, Thornhill.  
June 1, The Lodge St.Clair, U.D., Toronto.  
June 3, Simcoe Lodge, Toronto.  
June 15, Harcourt Lodge, U. D., Toronto.

All of these I visited personally, except two. St.Albans was inspected by R. W. Bro. E. W. E. Saunders, and Harcourt by R. W. Bro. E. J. B. Duncan.

On the occasion of nearly every visit I was accompanied by one or more of my predecessors. The encouragement and support received from them is gratefully acknowledged.

I would also like to express my appreciation of the work of W. Bro. John T. Orr as District Secretary. In the performance of every duty no detail was overlooked. I am indeed grateful to him for many helpful suggestions and much valuable assistance.

In conclusion let me bespeak for my successor in office the same co-operation and support given me.

Fraternally submitted,

G. HOOD, D.D.G.M.,  
Toronto Centre District No.11B.

## ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is a pleasure to be able to report that Masonry continues to be in a flourishing condition in this district composed of seventeen lodges where peace, harmony and brotherly love reign supreme.

I desire to express my sincere appreciation of the honour conferred on me by the brethren of the district by electing me as the representative of the Grand Master in this jurisdiction.

As I look back along the procession of official visits, I am particularly impressed with the esteem and affectionate loyalty shown to our beloved Grand Master through the reception of his representative, and in the future, recollection of those happy events will recall the most pleasant memories. I am deeply indebted to Wor. Bro. W. J. Bragg, as District Secretary, and Bro. Wm. H. Spargo, as District Chaplain.

A Lodge of Instruction was held at Port Hope on the 19th of October with an attendance of over 275 brethren from various parts of the district.

The first degree was conferred by Lebanon Lodge, Oshawa; the second by St. John's Lodge, Cobourg and the third by Hope and Ontario Lodges of Port Hope unitedly.

Sincere thanks are extended to the Wor. Masters and officers of these lodges for the proficient manner in which they exemplified the degrees, and also to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and Rt. Wor. Bro. John A. Rowland of Toronto, for their attendance and assistance and their eloquent addresses at the banquet. All honour to the brethren of Port Hope for their zeal and untiring effort in making this event an unqualified success. The good results of this lodge of Instruction have been quite apparent on my official visits throughout the district where I find the work quite uniform and impressive and especially in the lodges where the musical ritual is used.

The one real touch of annoyance comes through lack of secrecy concerning what takes place under the heading of "Business" and "the care of summons" and if our ancient traditions are to be preserved, something real should be done.

Following are the dates of my visits:

Ontario Lodge, Port Hope, Friday Feb. 18th  
Lebanon, Oshawa, Tuesday Mar. 8th  
Orono, Lodge, Orono Thursday Mar. 17th  
Fidelity Lodge, Port Perry, Friday Mar. 20th  
Havelock Lodge, Havelock, Monday Mar. 21st  
Durham Lodge, Newcastle, Thursday Mar. 22nd  
Composite Lodge, Whitby, Friday Apr. 1st  
St. Johns, Cobourg, Tuesday Apr. 12th  
Colborne Lodge, Colborne, Friday Apr. 15th  
Norwood Lodge, Norwood, Monday Apr. 18th  
Jerusalem Lodge, Bowmanville, Wednesday Apr. 20th  
J. B. Hall Lodge, Millbrook, Thursday Apr. 21st  
Cedar Lodge, Oshawa, Tuesday Apr. 26th  
Hope Lodge, Port Hope. Friday May 6th  
Mount Zion Lodge, Brooklin, Tuesday May 17th  
Percy Lodge, Warkworth, Wednesday May 18th

Keene Lodge on Thursday, May 19th received the representative of the Grand Master for the first time in three years and I am pleased to report that under the guiding hand of Wor. Bro. R. MacCamus, it is in a fair way of regaining its lost prestige.

Fraternally submitted,

FRED C. HOAR, D.D.G.M.,

Ontario District No. 12.



## PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT NO. 13

To The Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:-

I have the honour to submit my report upon the condition of Masonry in Prince Edward District No. 13, for the past year.

Allow me first to express my appreciation of the high honour conferred upon me by the brethren in electing me as the representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. My first official act was to appoint Wor. Bro. George Sprentall of Trent Lodge, my District Secretary, who accompanied me in nearly all of my official visits, and whose assistance to me in all of my work during my term of office has been of great value. Rt. Wor. Bro. R. H. Spencer, P.D.D.G.M. has also given me great assistance. Brother J. H. Redick of the same lodge who drove me with his car on thirteen of my visits, some of which were long distance, is also worthy of mention. To these and a number of other brethren of my mother Lodge who so loyally supported me in all my visits, my sincere thanks are due for their services. My thanks are also due brethren of the three Belleville Lodges who have given me great support. I appointed Rt. Wor. Bro. Rev. W. T. Wilkins, District Chaplain, who is an authority on Masonry, and always ready to cheerfully give any assistance in Masonic work.

During my term of office I have visited each Lodge in the District, and am pleased to be able to report that Masonry is in a healthy condition, the principles of Masonry are being carried out to a very high degree. The district and the lodges in general are prosperous and harmonious. Every lodge has made a substantial increase in membership.

### Official Visits

Oct. 22nd, 1920. I began my official visits on this date when I visited Tweed Lodge, Tweed. A good attendance of members and visitors was present; the work of this meeting was unique as the first degree was conferred on

Messrs Amos and W. W. Dafoe, father and son, by Wor. Bro. Graham and officers in a manner in which there was little or no room for criticism. I was introduced by Wor. Bro. Johnston who is a tower of strength to Tweed Lodge. Tweed Lodge is in a prosperous condition.

Lake Lodge, Ameliasburg, Oct 25th, 1920. A large attendance of members and visitors including seventy-five from the three Belleville lodges, about forty from Trent Lodge, several from Picton, Wellington, and Consecon. The first degree was well exemplified by Wor. Bro. Anderson. Wor. Bro. Coleman, who is a tower of strength to Lake Lodge a Past Master for 28 years acted as Junior Warden, and gave the lecture in a manner that is certainly worthy of special mention. Lake Lodge is enjoying prosperity. I have nothing but words of praise for this lodge.

Nov. 19th, 1920, I visited Consecon Lodge. A good attendance of members and visitors was present; there was no degree work. The business of the meeting was the election of Officers. While Consecon is a little handicapped for young material coming on for officers, they have a tower of strength in several Past Masters who are artists in Masonic work and at the festal board. The brethren are most enthusiastic and gave me a warm reception.

February 17th, 1921. I visited Prince Edward Lodge, Picton, on this date; a large number of members and visitors were present and gave me a hearty reception. The third degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. W. V. Vick and his officers in a manner that there was little or no room for criticism. After the degree was conferred, Brother G. W. Morden gave a lecture on his experiences in Switzerland and England. Wor. Bro. Vick is a very enthusiastic Mason and he is well supported by a number of Past Masters, veterans in Masonry.

February 22nd 1921. This date found me in United Lodge, loyally supported by about 25 brethren from Trent Lodge, including the W. M., several Past Masters and brethren. The first degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. G. S. Langdon and his officers in a most creditable manner. The Junior Warden's lecture was worthy of

mention. A presentation of Past Master's Jewels to Wor. Bro. O. L. Morrow and Wor. Bro. G. F. Little was made by Rt. Wor. Bro. E. W. Pickford at this meeting. United Lodge has organised a choir of 8 or 10 good singers, which certainly added perfection to the degree. The lodge room was filled to capacity. I will never forget the reception that I received both in the lodge room and at the banquet.

April 5th, 1921. I visited Golden Rule Lodge on this date. A large number of members and visitors were present, including V. Wor. Bro. J. O. Herity and V. Wor. Bro. John McIntosh from Belleville. The first degree was exemplified in a most creditable manner by Wor. Bro. C. H. Harris and his officers. The musical ritual has been adopted in this lodge which adds perfection to the work. I had the pleasure of presenting a Past Master's jewel to Wor. Bro. R. J. Allan, I.P.M. Bro. Rev. C. E. Clarke gave a lecture on Solomon's Temple, which was most enjoyable and instructive. Wor. Bro. F. C. Bonnycastle also gave a lecture on the Symbolism of the first degree which was very interesting. Golden Rule Lodge is in a prosperous condition and they expect to build a Temple inside of a year.

April 18th, 1921 I visited Franck Lodge on this date. The first degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner by Wor. Bro. E. E. Ketcheson and his officers.

April 19th, 1921, Wellington. I visited Star in the East Lodge on this date. There were a number of visitors from Picton, Ameliastburg and Consecon. The third degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. Ainsworth and his officers. Wor. Bro. Ainsworth and officers are certainly worthy of special mention, while the music added beauty and impression to the candidate. Rt. Wor. Bro. J. S. Shurie is worthy of special mention and great credit is due him for the musical part of the work.

May 5th, 1921. I visited the Belleville Lodge on this date accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bro. R. H. Spencer and a number of brethren from Trent Lodge. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. J. O. R. McCurdy, I. P. M., in a very creditable manner. It is unfortunate that the Worshipful Master, Wor. Bro. W. J.

Hume, through his business duties has only been able to attend two meetings since he was installed. I was honored in this visit by having the company of our Deputy Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Bro. Col. W. N. Ponton.

May 11th, 1921. I visited Eureka Lodge on this date, accompanied by 35 brethren from my mother lodge. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. L. E. Walm-sley and his officers in a most perfect manner. Rt. Wor. Bro. Chas. J. Symons in his oratorical manner delivered the charity lecture most impressively. With the orchestra adding perfection to the work the candidate received lessons that he will never forget. The room was filled to capacity.

May 17th, 1921. I visited Madoc Lodge on this date, the second degree was conferred in a manner that there was very little room for criticism by Wor. Bro. Grant Fraser and his officers. I was accompanied by several brethren from Trent Lodge, Rt. Wor. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson from Moira Lodge, Belleville, and a number of visiting brethren from Marmora, Stirling and Tweed.

May 18th, 1921. I visited the Moira Lodge on this date. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. F. W. Frost and his officers. Bro. A. J. Boyes, Junior Warden, delivered his lecture most impressively and is worthy of special mention. The room is not large enough, a number of brethren not being able to get inside. I was honored in this visit by having the company of our Deputy Grand Master Rt. Wor. Bro. Col. W. N. Ponton.

May 19th, 1921. I visited Bancroft Lodge on this date. The second degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. J. K. Sheppard and his officers in a manner that there was very little room for criticism. The lodge has been handicapped through the death of their Senior Warden. The Lodge room with all the furniture was destroyed a few years ago by fire; they now own their home and are out of debt. The Lodge is in a prosperous condition for which much credit is due their efficient Secretary, Wor. Bro. I. A. Eby.

May 26th, 1921. I visited Stirling Lodge on this date; a second degree was conferred, in a manner that



there was very little room for criticism, by Wor. Bro. G.A. Bailey and his officers. I was introduced by Rt. Wor. Bro. Dr. Potts and received a hearty reception. Rt. Wor. Bro. Col. W. N. Ponton, Rt. Wor. Bro. R. H. Spencer, and a number of visiting brethren were present. The lodge is in a prosperous condition.

June 7th, 1921. I visited Craig Lodge on this date. The third degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. E. D. Mack, Bartley, and his officers in a most creditable manner. Rt. Wor. Bro. Rev. Craig, founder of the Lodge, known as Daddy Craig by the brethren, was present and gave a fine address. I was introduced by Wor. Bro. Wright, one of the main pillars, and received a hearty welcome from from the Worshipful Master and brethren. The spirit of Masonry was felt in this meeting from the time I entered the lodge. A number of visiting brethren were present. This lodge is in a prosperous condition. The books are well kept by Bro. Robert Large, who is an efficient secretary.

June 20th, 1921. I visited Marmora Lodge on this date. The second degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. H. O. Loveless in a most creditable manner. This lodge has a good staff of officers, who take pride in putting on good work. I was impressed by the enthusiasm of the Past Masters, which is a great strength to any lodge. The lodge is in a prosperous condition. On this occasion I had the pleasure of presenting Past Masters' jewels' to Wor. Bros. J. F. Baker, H. W. Sabine, and W. L. Rigg.

Trent Lodge No. 38, Trenton. On June 24th, 1921. I visited my mother lodge, my last official visit. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. F. N. Alyea, in a most creditable manner. Brother Major Frost delivered the Junior Warden's lecture most impressively. I was honoured by having the company of four past District Deputies. Rt. Wor. Bro. Chas. J. Symons, Immediate Past D.D.G.M., Rt. Wor. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson Rt. Wor. Bro. John Newton of Moira Lodge No. 11, and Rt. Wor. Bro. R. H. Spencer of Trent Lodge. I had the pleasure on this occasion of presenting Past Masters' jewels to Wor. Bros. J. B. Little and H. E. McClung. This lodge is in a prosperous condition. There are no arrears of dues outstanding.



In conclusion, let me again express my sincere thanks to the brethren in the district for the many courtesies and kindness showered upon me in all of my official visits; the co-operation and support of the brethren has made my term of office one of the most pleasant years of my life, not a note of discord.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. POTTS, D.D.G.M.,

Prince Edward District No. 13.

## FRONTENAC DISTRICT NO. 14

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor herewith to submit my report of the condition of Masonry in Frontenac District for the year 1920-1921. My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. Maxwell Robinson as District Secretary and Bro. Rev. A. L. McLean as District Chaplain both of Maple Leaf Lodge No. 119, Bath. To both of these officers I wish to especially extend my thanks for their hearty support throughout my term of office. I have officially visited every lodge in the district and found the brethren keenly interested in the cause of Masonry and the future outlook very bright. I had the pleasure and honor of instituting one new lodge, "Queens Lodge" at Kingston. This lodge working under dispensation has a very bright future with a very efficient staff of officers and I recommend warrant be granted. I have also in my possession a dispensation issued for the institution of a second new lodge at Kingston to be called "Royal Edward." Hesitation on my part to recommend the formation of a second new lodge at Kingston until Queens Lodge got away to a good start brought about delay so that the ceremony of institution has not been proceeded with. However, my able successor will carry on.

My first official visit was at the Ancient St. John's No. 3, Kingston. I was most heartily received by Very W. Bro. Burke, W. M. The work of the Master Mason degree was beautifully rendered in faultless manner assisted by the lodge choir. A large number of brethren were in attendance. A banquet followed the work of the evening closing a very impressive meeting.

I visited Prince of Wales, No. 146, Newburgh, Nov. 3. As no regular work was on for this meeting I requested the W. M. to exemplify a board of trial on the floor of the lodge for the benefit of brethren present. W. Bro. Walters of Union No. 9, Napanee, ably assisted.

I next visited Prince Arthur No. 228, Odessa. W. Bro. Babcock officiated. A very good attendance of the brethren and a profitable evening spent.

Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee, extended me a hearty welcome and the work of the evening was very efficiently done by W. Bro. R. H. D. McGreer and his officers. The lodge is in a very flourishing condition and newly furnished in beautiful style. There was a large attendance and a very pleasant and profitable evening was closed with a banquet.

I visited Victoria Lodge No. 299 on a regular night of meeting. No degree work was done. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees, W. Bro. F. C. Reid presiding. R. W. A. B. Carscallen, P.D.D.G.M., of Lorne Lodge No. 404, was present and a very good attendance of the brethren.

On Tuesday May 3rd, I visited officially Minden Lodge No. 253, Kingston. There was a large attendance. W. Bro. G. L. Van Horne presided and the degree work of the evening was done in a very able manner. The lodge is in a flourishing condition and the officers are all enthusiastic in their work.

Catarauqui Lodge No. 92, Kingston, I visited on May 13th on the night of the regular meeting. W. Bro. F. J. Wilson, W.M., presided and with his able staff of officers conferred the degree work in a very correct manner. There was a large attendance of the brethren. The condition of the lodge from every point of view is healthy.

St. Andrew's Lodge, Arden, No. 497, I visited on the evening of May 17th. This lodge is doing excellent work. The officers and brethren are enthusiastic masons. The opening and closing in the three degrees, as also the degree work was very perfectly performed. I was accompanied on this visit by R. W. Bro. A. B. Carscallen and two other brothers from Lorne Lodge, Tamworth, and also Bro. G. W. Coppage of Bath. A most excellent banquet was provided by the ladies and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Lorne Lodge, No. 404, Tamworth, May 18th. The meeting was well attended and I received a cordial welcome. W. Bro. Mark A. Gilmour, W.M., presided and conferred the degrees in a very efficient manner. He was ably assisted by his officers.

Albion Lodge No. 109, Harrowsmith, I visited on May 20th. I was very cordially received and W. Bro. Arthur Hart presided at the meeting. There was a large attendance, a number being present from Kingston, Seeleys Bay, Gananoque, Bath and other places. The lodge is in a prosperous condition and good work is being done. Here also the ladies joined us in a banquet and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Rideau Lodge No. 460, Seeleys Bay. I visited this lodge officially on May 23rd. W. Bro. J. Robb, W.M., was present and conducted the work of the evening in an excellent manner. A pleasant social hour was spent after this meeting.

May 25th, Leeds Lodge No. 201, Gananoque. On the above date through the kindness of the W. M. a special meeting was called for my official visit. W. Bro. W. V. Ballanes, W.M., presided and with a very capable set of officers the work of three master mason degrees was conferred in a perfectly correct and impressive manner. In this connection special mention should be made of Bro. Jas. McKellar who is a very useful member of the lodge and efficient tyler. The lodge is in a very healthy condition and has beautiful quarters.

June 2nd I visited Simpson Lodge No. 157, Newboro. Here also the W. M. kindly arranged a special meeting of the lodge to receive me officially. W. Bro. V. H. Young, W.M., presided and performed his work in a most excellent manner conferring the third degree. R.W. Bro. R. H. Preston, P.D.D.G.M., the first W.M. of Simpson Lodge, was present, as was also V. W. Bro. Gorrell, the first mason initiated in the lodge. R. W. Bro. A. W. Gray was also present.

June 3rd, I visited Westport Lodge, No. 441, Westport. W. Bro. F. A. Laidlaw was in the chair and assisted by very able officers performed the work in a very capable manner. The W. M. is to be congratulated upon having such able assistants, both in present and past officers. A portion of the work was done by W. Bro. J. C. McCullough in a most impressive way. V. W. Bro. Gorrell, the first W.M., of the lodge delivered the charge in his usual impressive style. V. W. Bro. W. S. R. Murch, Grand Senior Deacon, was present.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 119, Bath, I visited my home and mother lodge. There was a very large attendance and W. Bro. Chas. Loyst, W.M. presided and performed in a very correct manner the work of the evening. He is assisted by a strong staff of officers. A number of brethren from Kingston, Napanee and other places were present. A banquet was prepared in the hall beneath the lodge room when a very pleasant hour was spent. The lodge is in a very healthy condition.

The work is uniform throughout the district and the officers and members are enthusiastic in their service to the order.

In conclusion I wish to thank the officers and brethren generally for the hearty assistance given me throughout the year. Finally I may say I have benefited greatly from meeting the brethren in the different parts of the district. My year of service as D.D.G.M. has broadened my view and increased my devotion to masonry. I hope I have served with honor to the craft and credit to myself where I have erred may the broad mantle be spread.

Fraternally submitted,

HAROLD S. NORTHMORE, D.D.G.M.,

Frontenac District No.14



## ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in St. Lawrence District.

I desire first to express to the brethren of the District both my deep appreciation of the honour they bestowed upon me in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M. and my gratitude for the courtesy, kindness and hospitality that has been shown me everywhere throughout the District. One cannot soon forget the many expressions of Masonic fraternity that he has experienced during his term of office, or ever cease to regret that a year of such pleasant association can not be indefinitely experienced.

My first official act was to appoint Bro. (Rev.) W.T. Keough as District Chaplain, and Worshipful Brother W. W. Phelps as District Secretary, to both of whom I am deeply indebted for their acceptance of office and their kind co-operation in the fulfillment of my many duties.

It has been my privilege to assist in the entertainment of American brethren on two occasions. First in July last when Most Worshipful Brother W. N. Kendrick, Past Master of the State of Minnesota, who was a visitor in this District paid a visit to Harmony Lodge, Delta, and gave a most delightful and instructive address on Masonic conditions in the United States; and secondly in September when Lansdowne Lodge entertained the Masonic brethren of Alexandria Bay in a manner in keeping with the best Masonic traditions.

During my term of office it has been my privilege at the request of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master to officiate at the constitution, consecration and dedication of Nation Lodge, Spencerville, and at the dedication of Lyn Lodge, Lyn, and to assist at the dedication of True Briton's lodge, Perth, when most Worshipful Brother Harcourt accompanied by Right Worshipful Brother Madill were present. I am particularly grateful to the many brethren who assisted in the formation of Grand Lodge on these occasions.

### Official Visits:

Harmony Lodge, Delta, September 22nd. This is my home lodge. Degree work was exemplified. The lodge as usual has a good set of officers who confer the different degrees in an impressive manner and who with the brethren of the lodge have a high conception of their Masonic responsibilities.

Lyn Lodge, Lyn, January 18th. Degree work. This lodge is doing excellent work, is well officered and is deserving of congratulations on its new quarters. It is the home lodge of Right Worshipful Brother Brown, my predecessor in office, whom I was privileged to have associated with me, assisted by a number of Brockville brethren, in the dedication of the lodge rooms on Nov. 29th. The future of this lodge looks particularly bright.

Osiris Lodge, Smiths Falls, January 28th. Degree work. This lodge is doing excellent work. It has a good set of officers and a membership particularly ambitious for the welfare of their lodge. One of the outstanding features of a pleasant evening was a paper by Worshipful Brother Ferguson on the origin and meaning of the lodge name.

Rising Sun, Athens, February 17th. A second degree was conferred during my visit by a set of officers who take their work seriously and who are anxious for the good of the lodge which if, as is likely, the same zeal characterizes future officers, has a bright outlook.

Sussex Lodge and Salem Lodge, Brockville February 21st. These lodges united on the occasion of my official visit and conferred a first degree in a manner above criticism. A most entertaining feature of the banquet which followed the lodge work and to which a record number of brethren sat down, was the music rendered by a purely Masonic Orchestra. I am particularly indebted to the members of these lodges for their presence at a goodly number of the lodges in the district when my official visits were made.

St. Francis, Smith Falls, March 18th. First degrees were conferred in an exceptional manner. Right Wor. Brother Fluker read an enjoyable paper on the history of the lodge. St. Francis enjoys an enviable and deserved

reputation throughout the district due to the efforts of its officers and members to keep its membership above reproach and its work above criticism.

McCoy Lodge, Mallorytown, April 18th. A second degree was conferred in an exceptionally impressive manner. A young and brilliant set of officers and an enthusiastic membership assures the continuance of McCoy's good name in the District.

Landsowne Lodge, Lansdowne, April 21st. A wet night prevented a full turn out of members yet a good number witnessed the conferring of a first degree in a creditable manner. This lodge is making plans for the erection of new quarters and is deserving of every success in its efforts.

St. James Lodge, April 25th. A large number of number of visiting brethren from Brockville, Lyn, Prescott and other surrounding points took advantage of my official visit to pay fraternal respects to St. James. They were amply rewarded for their visit in seeing a second degree conferred in a splendid manner and partaking of a truly Masonic banquet. This lodge is doing good work.

Central Lodge, Prescott, May 3rd. This lodge is in good circumstances, doing good work and enjoying a deserved prosperity. A first degree was conferred in which the Master and his officers showed themselves thoroughly proficient in Masonic work.

Otter Lodge, May 17th. I had not the opportunity of seeing degree work done, but the officers opened and closed in the respective degrees in a creditable manner. The members are enthusiastic and the lodge in a good financial condition.

Crystal Fountain, North Augusta. I visited this lodge on May 18th, and while no degree work was done the openings and closings were handled in a manner to impress one with Masonic efficiency of the lodge. Crystal Fountain has outgrown its present quarters and is erecting a new lodge room.

Nation Lodge, Spencerville, June 2nd. This is the baby lodge of the district being constituted in November

last but is already known throughout the District for Masonic enthusiasm and hospitality. Brethren from all surrounding places took occasion of my official visit to carry fraternal greetings to Nation Lodge. A first degree was conferred in a manner worthy our best and oldest lodges. The brethren of Nation have a splendid hall, a fine sense of Masonic hospitality and an excellent membership. Their future is assured.

True Britons Lodge, Perth. With its new lodge room this lodge is complete in every respect. A third degree was conferred in a faultless manner. True Britons is undoubtedly one of the outstanding lodges of the district. I was glad to have Right Worshipful Brothers Hicks and Waddell present on this visit.

Merrickville Lodge, June 14th. No degree work was conferred but the openings and closings were done in a most creditable manner. The members of this lodge are true Masons in every respect exemplifying in a high degree the best principles of the order. Right Worshipful Brother Watchorn and Magee contributed to the evening's pleasure.

Mount Zion Lodge, Kemptville, June 17th. The openings and closings were done in a particularly impressive manner. An energetic set of officers with Worshipful Brother Patterson as Master are maintaining the excellent reputation of Mount Zion in lodge work and hospitality. Right Worshipful Brother Langstaff continues to give the lodge the benefit of his experience.

One of the finest agencies for propagating Masonic principles in the district is the Past Master's Association which meets in June and September. The meeting held at Harmony Lodge, Delta, on June 15th was attended by about one hundred Masters and Past Master of the district and was one of the finest meetings so far held. Right Worshipful Brother Ponton, Deputy Grand Master, was present and gave a most inspiring and instructive address on Masonry and its Principles and contributed in many ways to make the meeting a memorable and truly fraternal one. His visit will be long remembered by the brethren of the District.

I would again emphasize my gratitude to the District for while I have endeavoured to give as well as to receive, I still feel myself much the debtor to St. Lawrence District. I realize, now that my labors are done, that he who fills the office of District Deputy Grand Master enjoys a post graduate course in Masonry that enriches him past understanding.

Fraternally submitted,

W. C. JOHNSON, D.D.G.M.,

St. Lawrence District No. 15.



## OTTAWA DISTRICT NO. 16

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and  
Members of Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada  
in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to present herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in the Ottawa District together with a short summary of the proceedings of the Craft in the Ottawa Valley.

The Masonic year, 1920-1921 in the Ottawa District has been one of uninterrupted progress and unusual prosperity. The oversight of twenty-six lodges makes heavy demands upon the time and energy of the representative of the Grand Master. My duties, in part, included 26 official visits; four consecrations, one Lodge of Instruction, one dedication and seven installations. In addition there was an inquiry into an alleged irregularity and attending as D.D.G.M. of more than half a score other functions held under the auspices of several Lodges, making in all over half a hundred Masonic meetings which it was my privilege and pleasure as well as my duty to be present at, during the year. It would have been impossible to have overtaken these varied duties had I not had the kind consideration and willing co-operation of the brethren and particularly the always cheerfully rendered assistance of my predecessor.

In my lodge visits, when I found the work not up to the mark (instances delightfully few) the plan was adopted of describing the best accepted methods so that by comparison and inference the officers were brought face to face with their own short-comings as regards the proper methods of exemplification of the work; later the matter was referred to more pointedly in private conversation. I hold, strongly, that only when the defects are flagrant should a Master be reproved before his fellows. In this connection two things forcibly impressed me; first no matter what minor defects there may have been in the details of the work, the spirit of true masonry was always present, the best traditions of the Craft being carefully observed and the landmarks jealously guarded; in the

second place the spice of originality distinctive in form and unique in expression which characterized the work of several of the Lodges, especially in those which are more or less removed from contact with the larger centres where innovations are too often accepted and adopted because of their novelty rather than because they provide a better method of exemplifying masonic teaching. Where such features characterized the work I hesitated to criticise lest I should be laying "prentice" hands upon a cherished heirloom—the teachings of some well informed and experienced Mason transmitted pure and unimpaired from time immemorial. Age makes all things sacred. It would be Hunnish to undermine these cherished highways to our ancient holy shrine.

In addition to giving instructions when and where necessary on the general work of the lodge, special addresses were prepared for every official visit on some subject of Masonic interest, particular attention being paid to the history and symbolism of the Order. Although the preparation of these talks involved a good deal of labor and time I was amply rewarded by the generous appreciation of the brethren always kindly expressed and usually evidenced by large deputations from neighboring lodges. I can recall only two instances where I was not accompanied by representatives of from two to six or eight lodges. Further, the reception accorded these addresses on the symbolism, purpose, and teaching of Freemasonry leads me to think that a little more attention could with profit be given to addresses and discussion on Masonic topics and a little less, if need be, to the conferring of degrees. The time is, when the fraternity should have the fact impressed upon them that the measure of a Masters' capacity, usefulness, and efficiency lies not necessarily, in the number of members added to the Lodge roll during his term of term of office, but rather in the excellence of the manner in which he has inculcated the masonic virtues, brotherly love, relief and truth.

As a means towards attaining a wider grasp and clearer knowledge of what Masonry is, and the purpose it should serve, I would strongly recommend that Lodges use some of their surplus funds in setting up and equipping lodge libraries and reading rooms (St. John's Lodge, Carleton Place has set a fine example along these lines)

with current magazines and books on craft, and other subjects. The holding of "Classes of Instruction," rather than "Lodges of Instruction," which to my mind are more spectacular than educational, would serve the admirable purpose of bringing out, and affording opportunity of expression to the talent on the "side benches" too often treated as wall flowers, convenient as revenue contributors but allowed little participation in the work of the Lodge. Parenthetically, permit me to remark that there is a very general feeling that the East sometimes appears to forget that there are other points to the compass. I am satisfied that a venture, such as hinted at above which if carefully planned and carried out under the direction of Grand Lodge, would in a few years make every Lodge meeting a delight.

The problem of decreasing the continuous grind of degree work, which leaves little time for the real objects of Freemasonry as well as for a proper, dignified, and impressive rendering of the degrees is not easy of solution in the face of the ever increasing procession which is seeking admission to our temple. It was thought some years ago that raising the initiation fee would have the desired effect. The apparent result has been to increase the number of applicants. Another remedy frequently suggested and illegally acted upon by some lodges is conferring the degrees upon groups of candidates. One of my first official acts was to issue a circular calling attention to the rulings of three Grand Masters in the premises and requesting compliance therewith. I strongly recommend that a definite ruling on this question of group candidates be issued by Grand Lodge. In my judgment the remedy lies in two directions; firstly in the emergent meeting, when owing to the absence of business the degree work could start at an early hour; and secondly when a lodge reaches, say, a membership of 250 it should be encouraged to set up a new Lodge. This need not, should not incur any extra expense for rent or equipment and would be of great value as dividing the work and giving opportunity to capable, ambitious brethren to reach the chair.

It should be our duty as masons in these days of social unrest and industrial mistrust to employ every legitimate means to smooth out the furrows of disagree-

ment and plant in the heart of our national life the seeds of a better tomorrow when staggered humanity shall have brought its manhood to the plumbline of love, justice and truth. To attain to such an ideal demands a membership imbued not only with the spirit of loyalty and devotion to God, our Country and fraternity, but also one intelligently seized with the dignity and high importance of Free masonry and well-skilled in our noble science and Royal Art.

Enterprise Lodge, No. 516, Beachburg. On October 4th accompanied by Wor. Bro. A. H. McKee visited this Lodge. The work was well done. The lodge has had since my official visit a little disagreeable trouble which the good sense of the brethren has since overcome.

St. John's Lodge, No. 63, Carleton Place. This Lodge was visited October 8th. The work was fairly well done. This is an old Lodge, being founded in 1842. A cherished possession of the Lodge is its first Charter now nearly eighty years old. The early minutes of this Lodge now in possession of R. W. Bro. D. H. McIntosh, make intensely interesting reading. The lodge has a good reading room and also a recreation room.

Chaudiere Lodge, No. 264. Visited this Lodge October 20th. This was my first official visit to a city Lodge. The work was well done; each officer performing his duties in a creditable manner. Wor. Bro. P. M. Mason who was appointed Junior deacon when the Lodge was instituted in 1871 and W.M. in 1875 is the only living Charter member. It was my privilege to have installed the officers for the current year.

Renfrew Lodge No. 122, Renfrew. Visited this Lodge November First. The First degree was put on excellently by Wor. Bro. Canon Quartermaine. The Master was assisted by a competent staff of officers. When this lodge was granted its dispensation in 1859 only two of its members were residents of Renfrew; its jurisdiction extending from Pakenham on the east to the limits of settlement on the north and west. Here it was my good fortune to be honoured by the presence of that fine old gentleman, Rt. Wor. Bro. David Barr, D.D.G.M. in 1889-1890, who was made a mason in New Mountain Lodge, Airdrie, Scotland in 1874.



Lodge of Fidelity, No. 231. Visited this Lodge November 16th. On my official visit I was accompanied by several of my predecessors in office. W. M. Col. H. V. Rorke assisted by a staff of capable officers put on the work in a way which precluded any adverse criticism. Another event of surpassing interest was the celebration of their sixtieth birthday on March 19, 1921. This took the form of a Past Masters' night with Rt. Wor. Bro. Wm. Rea, a charter member in the Chair. This genial, kindly gentleman of more than four score years conferred the first degree in a way that would have done credit to one who habitually does such things as a matter of routine. It is such men as he clean and lovely in character who are the true exponents of Masonic teaching. At this meeting Rt. Wor. Bro. H. W. Wilson read an excellent historical account of the lodge from its organization. It has been printed.

Builders Lodge, No. 177. Visited this Lodge December 24th. Wor. Bro. Rollings worked the First Degree in a graceful, easy manner which showed careful preparation. The other officers performed their duties well. It was my pleasant duty to install the officers for the ensuing Masonic year on the evening of June 10th.

Dalhousie Lodge, No. 52, Ottawa. This Lodge was visited on January 4th. This is the largest Lodge in the Ottawa District. A very large number of brethren and visitors were present. Wor. Bro. Jackson is an enthusiastic mason who takes his work seriously and is only satisfied when the work is well done. Like all the city Lodges in general the manner of conferring the Degrees leaves little to be desired. Dalhousie Lodge was established in June 1848 with thirteen members. Evidently these old masons were not superstitious. Subsequent history has vindicated their optimism. I installed the officers for the ensuing year.

Ashlar Lodge, No. 564, Ottawa. Visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, January 15th. This Lodge was consecrated by myself assisted by P. D. D. G. Masters and Ruling Masters on Saturday, October 9th, 1920. The lodge was particularly fortunate in securing as its first Master, Wor. Bro. D. Esdale, an untiring worker. The work was well performed. Bro. Ingram



as Junior Warden was real good although appointed Junior Warden without preliminary training; he has set a pace which may well be the envy of his successors. I installed the officers for the ensuing year.

Mississippi Lodge, No. 147, Almonte. Visited this Lodge February 4th. This Lodge was instituted March 19th, 1861. In the disastrous fire of September, 1910, lost everything except the books. The Lodge is now housed in a very nice and fairly well appointed Lodge room. The Master, conferred the Third degree in an excellent manner. The Junior officers did not appear to realize that they had particular stations to occupy. A later visit showed decided improvement in this regard.

The Diamond Jubilee of the Lodge was celebrated on March 19th, 1921. This celebration took the form of a "Lodge of Instruction." The First Degree was put on by Mississippi Lodge. The Second Degree by Renfrew Lodge and the Third Degree by the Lodge of Fidelity, Ottawa. A dinner was served in the Town Hall in the evening when the Rt. Wor. Bro. Alfred Thompson, M.P., Yukon, delivered a splendid address.

Cobden Lodge, No. 459, Cobden. Visited February 8th. Rt. Wor. Bro. F. A. Heney accompanied me and rendered valuable assistance. This is a comparatively young Lodge. It occupies a fine Lodge room in the New Memorial Hall. While the Master had a good grasp of the work and did it well, yet that of some of his officers was not good. A little more attention to obviously proper methods might with profit be observed.

Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 371, Ottawa. Visited February 25, 1921. The Worshipful Master, F. T. Burgess although less than two months in the chair carried out the duties appertaining to the Master's Chair with ease and dignity. The degree work was well put on. He has a good staff of officers.

Pembroke Lodge, No. 128. Visited this Lodge March 3rd. The attendance of members was small. A hockey game proved the drawing card for the evening. The Third Degree was well put on by W. M., C. W. Fraser. M. W. Bro. Burritt was in attendance and pre-

sided over an elaborate banquet which followed the Lodge meeting. Rt. Wor. Bro. Josephs was also present and gave a help-talk on the duties of members to the Order.

Civil Service Lodge, No. 148. Visited this lodge March 8th. The W. M., F. D. Burpee fully maintained the tradition of the Lodge for excellence in the conferring of the Third Degree. This Lodge was vested with a charter empowering it to meet at "Seat of the Government of Canada" wherever it might be located. Its present membership is not now exclusively drawn from the Civil Service.

Sidney Albert Luke Lodge, No. 558, Ottawa. Visited March 23rd. This Lodge named after the lamented and well-beloved late Most Wor. Bro. S. A. Luke was consecrated October 6th by the Most Worshipful Master Bro. F. W. Harcourt assisted by Rt. Wor. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary, and nearly every P.D.D.G.M. in the District. At the close of the communication of Grand Lodge the Master, Very Worshipful Bro. James Reid was installed as W. M. and the other officers invested. The evening was brought to a close with an elaborate banquet at which splendid addresses were delivered by the Grand Master, Grand Secretary, Rt. Wor. Bro. A. J. Young of North Bay and other eminent Masons. At the first regular meeting in January it was my pleasant duty to install a new staff of officers headed by Wor. Bro. W. M. Ross as W. M. As might be expected the work was well put on.

Russell Lodge No. 479, Russell. Visited March 28th. Owing to unforeseen circumstances the Master found it necessary to work three Thirds which made the evening long and left little time for anything else. Much of the work was delegated to Past Masters; this is a mistake, as it is the work of the officers the D.D.G.M. desires to see. The floor work was not up to standard. A little more precision and attention to details would be desirable.

Doric Lodge, No. 58. Ottawa. Visited this lodge April First. This being my home lodge I can speak with certainty of the good work which is always done by Doric, the mother Lodge of the late lamented Most Worshipful

Bro. S. A. Luke. Rt. Wor. Bro. M. Ward Shepperd, P.D.D.G.M., Eastern District, delivered an excellent illuminative address following the exemplification of the First degree by W. M. E. L. Taylor. At the banquet which followed Wor. Bro. McKelvie, M. P., Kootenay, gave an instructive and timely address on the duties of Masons generally. The officers for the current year were installed by me at the regular meeting in January.

St. Andrews Lodge, No. 560. Ottawa. This lodge was consecrated by me on October 9th, 1920. Immediately following the consecration ceremony W. Bro. Parrington was installed as the first Master under the warrant and his officers invested. The Lodge was visited officially on April 9th when the First Degree was well put on. This is an ambitious Lodge and strives to excel. My last official act, June 25th, was the installation of the officers for the ensuing year.

Ionic Lodge, No. 526, Westboro. Visited this lodge April 13th. This being virtually a city Lodge, as it includes, in common with its sister lodge, within its limits a large part of the city of Ottawa, its work is on a par with that of the city lodges. Very Worshipful Bro. Saunders was its Master. Rt. Wor. Bro. F. A. Heney, my immediate predecessor, who so ungrudgingly rendered me such kind assistance is so enthusiastic a Mason that Craft drones are soon changed into busy workers. They are now taking steps to erect a new temple. Their present quarters are not only too small but the presence of a dance hall on the floor below makes a change desirable.

Hazeldean Lodge, No. 517, Hazeldean. Visited May 18th. A large deputation from the Lodges in Ottawa Westboro, Carp and Richmond were present. There was no candidate but the Second degree was very well put on by Wor. Bro. Bert G. Grant, the part of candidate being admirably taken by Wor. Bro. Logan. The Lodge has had only one initiation during the year, and it is rather difficult for the Master and his officers to attain expertness in the floor work unless they are willing to practise for the sake of acquiring proficiency.

Corinthian Lodge, No. 476, North Gower. Visited May 20th. The Second degree was well put on by Wor. Bro. R. A. Craig. The Lodge has lately experienced a

period of prosperity which should induce the Brethren to enlarge and improve their present lodge room which is much too small and lacks the absolute necessity of a proper preparation room. The Lodge dates from 1905 when a enthusiastic Masons of whom the present Secretary was one, undertook to light the sacred fire in this locality. Rt. Wor. Bro. C. W. Jeffrey, who accompanied me, gave the brethren some sound advice on Lodge work generally.

Acacia Lodge, No. 561, Westboro. Visited officially on May 27th when the Master, Rt. Wor. Bro. D. A. MacEachern put on the degree in his best style. The Rt. Wor. Bro. had served his apprenticeship before he was prevailed upon to become the first Master of Acacia Lodge, having been a P.D.D.G.M. of Ottawa District, No. 6 under the Quebec Register. The list of Past Masters of this Lodge includes the Most Worshipful the Grand Masters of Ontario and Quebec, together with twelve Right Worshipful Brothers and eight Past Masters. A Past Masters' night was held on May 14th when the East was occupied by Most Worshipful Bro. F. W. Harcourt; Most Worshipful Bro. McBurney, Grand Master of Quebec, acted as I.P.M. All the other chairs were filled by Right Worshipful Brethren. The First degree was exemplified. Later at the banquet excellent addresses were delivered by the Most Worshipful Grand Masters, Right Worshipful Brothers Logan and Richardson. The Lodge was consecrated by me on October 2nd, 1921.

Madawaska Lodge, No. 196, Arnprior. By command of the Grand Master, assisted by Brethren from Ottawa, Westboro, Carp, Richmond, Renfrew, Almonte, Cobden, Pembroke, Carleton Place, Eganville, Mattawa, Lindsay, etc., it was my pleasure to dedicate the new Lodge room. The room is suitably furnished and is well supplied with necessary ante-rooms. Immediately following the retirement of Grand Lodge, the official visit took place. Wor. Bro. Cliffe put on the First degree very acceptably. The so-called I.P.M. charge was read by a Past Master. The reading of part of the ceremony detracts from its effectiveness and force.

Evergreen Lodge, No. 209, Lanark. Visited this Lodge June 7th. The First degree was put on passably



well. While the Master did his work well yet it was evident from the general trend that slip shod methods more or less prevailed. This was particularly noticeable in the lack of absence of the proper tiling of the door. This is an old Lodge having been instituted in 1869. Lanark then was a thriving town, but lack of transportation and destructive fires have militated against growth, consequently against the Lodge. Very Wor. Bro. David McLaren has been an outstanding figure for more than forty years and it is probable that were it not for his untiring unselfish devotion, the charter would have been surrendered some years ago.

Bonnechere Lodge, No. 433, Eganville. Visited this Lodge June 13th. My deputation comprised members of Cobden, Pembroke, and Renfrew Lodges. The W.M. Bro. Boland assisted by officers well up in their work put on the First Degree in splendid form. The whole atmosphere of the Lodge bespoke a keen appreciation of the proper manner of doing things. A very fine banquet was tendered the visiting brethren. Instructive addresses were made by Rt. Wor. Bro. Josephs of Pembroke and Wor. Bro. Austin of Renfrew. The Lodge room is commodious and well furnished.

Goodwood Lodge, No. 159, Richmond. This lodge was visited June 14th. It was my good fortune to have installed the officers of this old Lodge. The good opinion then formed of the W. M., Bro. J. R. Mills, was fully sustained by the more than average way in which he put on the Third degree, at my official visit. The Lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees with accuracy and precision. This Lodge is making satisfactory and steady progress.

Carleton Lodge, No. 465, Carp. Visited June 17th. This Lodge suffered in the fire which visited the village last Autumn by the loss of their Lodge room with all its contents. They are at present meeting in the Orange Hall. The W. M., W. D. Jackson, being employed in Toronto, was not present at this communication. Wor. Bro. F. H. Morrison occupied the chair and exemplified the Second Degree acceptably. It is difficult to criticise the work owing to the fact that the building does not lend itself easily to Craft work. The brethren are taking



steps to erect a building for their own use. On this occasion it was my pleasant duty, assisted by contingents from Ottawa and Westboro to present the Lodge with a new set of Officers' Regalia—the gift of the city Lodges.

I have endeavoured to give the brethren who so graciously favoured me with their confidence a year ago the best service possible. I trust that the year has enlarged the range of our vision of duty and responsibility. I bespeak for my successor the kind consideration and ready assistance and wise counsel which in various ways assisted in making my work easy and pleasant.

Fraternally submitted,

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Ottawa District No. 16.

## ALGOMA DISTRICT NO. 17

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit my report for the Masonic year just ending for Algoma District.

An outstanding event of the year was the visit to the District of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. Inasmuch as some of the lodges, for the first time, were visited by a Grand Master, his sojourn here was a somewhat unique event in the Masonic history of the district. His geniality, sincerity, his masonic enthusiasm combined with the prestige of his position created a most favorable impression on the brethren of the district with whom he came in contact. District Number 17 is apart from the rest of Ontario. It is in a section by itself separated from older and more settled Ontario by many hundreds of miles. Its isolation brings difficulties peculiar to the district. I feel that the visit of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master will serve to create a better understanding.

During the year I was able to visit all parts of the district once, some of the lodges oftener. These visits were occasions of great interest, enthusiasm and inspiration. I record my gratitude and appreciation for the splendid receptions and untiring and courteous efforts put forth by the brethren on these occasions.

So universal has been the interest and enthusiasm shown, as well as the cordiality and hospitality, that it would be difficult if not unfair to single out any particular occasion for expressions of commendation or appreciation. I found the liveliest interest and enthusiasm prevalent and everywhere an earnest and sincere effort to perpetuate the principles of the great lights of masonry.

Masonry, as elsewhere, continues to have a most decided appeal to the best elements of the manhood of this district. A great proportion of those crossing the threshold of our lodges are young men—men who in a

few years will be amongst the prominent in professional, business and political life. They will take their places with those who will be controlling the thought of our communities. It is a great inspiration to realize that in this time of upheaval, unrest, discontent and differences in opinion that these young men are coming under masonic influence at a time when their characters are most susceptible to influence. This age, it seems to the writer, demands special education and enlightenment. We masons are taught to exercise our intellectual powers. Our masters are placed in the east to instruct.

I believe we should seriously ask ourselves if we are doing everything possible to educate and enlighten our newly initiated brothers, particularly our younger initiates. Is it sufficient to initiate, pass and raise them and pay no further attention to their masonic education except a repetition of degree work? Should we not have a well planned course of masonic instruction and research carried out by well skilled brethren all calculated to give the initiate a greater grasp of masonry and perhaps in some measure assist him in bringing masonic principles to bear in forming sane and logical opinions on the important subjects of the day. Should not Grand Lodge take the lead in this? It might have data, programs, etc., ready for supply on demand of the subordinate lodges. The Past Master's Association here is doing a most valuable work in this regard, and is deserving of considerable credit. They follow a definite program of addresses on important and interesting masonic subjects and participate in special services such as installation, etc.

The practice of suspending degree work on the regular meeting night, notwithstanding the amount of work pending, and devoting the evening to a program of research or lecture or discussion on some phase of masonry I believe to be sound and if properly organised, prepared and carried out will materially assist in adding to the newly initiated brother's knowledge as well as increase lodge attendance. The opportunity should be taken advantage of to encourage interest in discussion.

Masonry is a progressive science. The writer believes it should keep pace with world events. If our lodges were open for the discussion of subjects that arise

affecting the social welfare of the people, it seems to me, a great deal of good could, directly and indirectly, be done. This would make every lodge a thought centre of educational value to its members. The course laid down should be merely educational. Care should be taken that no resolutions were even presented, certainly not passed, that could be construed in any way to interfere with freedom of thought and action among our members, or definite course for social or political action. The discussion should simply be to the end that the members through hearing the pro and con could become better informed and better able to carry out their social duties to the betterment of mankind.

Should we not then change our customs somewhat and allow freedom of discussion during these important years? What better, what saner force could educate for tolerance, patriotism and good citizenship? This, it seems to me, is a powerful instrument. Freemasonry might well seize upon it to fulfill its mission in building character, and in teaching duty to God, to country to neighbor and self. In this common meeting ground, employer and employee, rich and poor, conservative and radical, all classes and condition of our brethren, could harmonize and educate one another. The fraternity offers ideal auspices in such a situation as we are today facing. Her stability, dignity and repute are a guarantee of proper administration.

The very number of initiates and the work it involves somewhat hampers carrying out instruction and research ideas. Where officers are compelled to meet four or five times a month to take care of applicants alone, enthusiasm is severely strained. Just what remedy can be found to relieve the "degree factory" situation obtaining in many lodges, rests with Grand Lodge. Whether "Group initiation" under certain restrictions—with limited number of candidates—would serve to relieve the burden of lodge work, it does in other degrees, and result in more dignified rendering, and adding to the impression; whether a longer time should lapse between conferring degrees; whether new lodges should be formed as fast as established ones reach say 400 and legislation be passed prohibiting exceeding that number; whether fees be raised or whatever method be adopted should come as a result of mature

thought but certain it seems that some relief should be found where work is excessive and masonry suffering thereby. No matter how enthusiastic officers may be they must naturally become weary in well doing with excessive grind in degree work.

During the year a District Lodge of Instruction was held at Port Arthur and Fort William attended by some 350 brethren. It is sufficient to say for their enthusiasm that some of them travelled 600 miles losing three days from business to attend.

Previous to my election as D.D.G.M. I had been away from masonry in this district for the war years and coming back was particularly struck with the masonic atmosphere of the lodges and communities; by the devotion of P.D.D.G.Ms. and P.Ms. and secretaries; in the baby lodge isolated by two days journey from Port Arthur the one Past Master with the sitting has taken care of forty candidates, a marked case of devotion to duty; by the evidences on the part of the greater number of the officers of intense purpose to impress the candidates with masonry's principles; by the efforts to carefully enquire into and investigate the character of applicants; I believe this responsibility is taken most seriously; by the large attendances, musical rituals and serious masonic discourses, and comparative freedom of dissension over misuse of the ballot. I sometime wonder whether it is not due to voting in the first degree that the ballot is misused by inexperienced brethren.

In conclusion, I believe that the condition of masonry in District Number Seventeen is satisfactory. I wish to record my appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered to me by Bro. R. W. Bro. A. R. Mills and his secretary W. Bro. J. A. Underhill.

Yours fraternally,

M. FRANCIS, D.D.G.M.,

Algoma District No. 17.



## NIPISSING DISTRICT NO. 18

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:-

Herewith I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in Nipissing District, No. 18, for the past year.

Permit me first to express my appreciation of the done me by my brethren in electing me to the high office of D.D.G.M. of this district, an office so competently filled by my illustrious predecessors.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. A. D. Meldrum of Nickel Lodge No. 427, District Secretary, and W. Bro. Rev. W. McDonald of the same lodge, District Chaplain.

I am glad to report that harmony exists throughout the district, that the year has been one of progress, and that there is a marked uniformity in the work as exemplified by the different lodges. The dues are well paid up, some lodges reporting they have no arrears, while there are none with very many, indicative of the many energetic Secretaries the different lodges have, looking after their interest.

I have found on the whole that the books are well kept, but would recommend a closer attention to the form of minutes as laid down in the Book of Constitution, some Secretaries disregarding it, others being entirely unfamiliar with it. I would also recommend that for the most part substantial minute books be purchased, as they are permanent records. The initial cost is sometimes considered large but as these books should last for years the annual cost is small and the money is well spent. Many Secretaries are desirous of the adoption of a loose leaf system, particularly for recording dues in, and when such is authorised would suggest that the form be one approved by Grand Lodge so there will be uniformity throughout the jurisdiction.

With the increased cost of building, furniture, etc., I have urged the lodges to increase their insurance wherever warranted, in many cases that carried in no way representing present day values. Inventories should be carefully preserved and a stock book kept, so that in case of fire there will be no difficulty in establishing the loss. These documents as well as the minute and other books should not be left lying about the lodge room, but deposited in a place of security when not in use.

While the work is markedly uniform some lodges would profit by more frequent practices, a greater freedom of criticism by the Worshipful Master, done, of course, in a kindly and brotherly spirit, and where a brother filling an office is found lacking in attention or interest no consideration of a friendly nature should prevent the lodge refusing to give advancement or to re-elect such a member to office.

The lodges are to be congratulated on the interest evinced by their respective Past Masters, in almost every instance their assistance being given in the work, the importance of which cannot be too greatly emphasized, for when its Past Masters have lost interest and no longer attend, that lodge will surely retrograde. In the course of my visits I have advocated the formation of a Past Masters District Association which I believe would assist in keeping such interest alive and result as well in a greater interchange of fraternal visits between lodges.

There having been some diversity of opinion as to the manner in which the cost of Lodges of Instruction should be borne, I requested the different lodges to submit their views, in the hope that there might be enough of a similar opinion to form a basis, but in this was unsuccessful as nearly every lodge had a different suggestion. The settlement of this question, which to my mind is of importance, and particularly so in this district must therefore be the task of my successor.

My first visit was not an official one but of a sad nature, that of attending the funeral of W. Bro. Turner, a Past Master of Doric Lodge, Little Current, of whom it was said he spoke ill of no man, and no man spoke ill of him. His loss will be severely felt not only by his brethren but also by the community in which he lived.

surpassed. Doric is under a lasting debt to R. W. Bro. Wallace for his most valuable services. The lodge has a careful Secretary and is making progress, but I would recommend a more frequent use of the lodge room for the study of Masonry.

No hotels were open for the accommodation of guests, and I am indebted to W. Bro. Parkes and his family for their hospitality on the occasion.

Espanola Lodge, No. 527, Espanola. On March 2nd, I visited this lodge, there being a good attendance. R. W. Bro. Dibblee is the W. M. and the first degree was conferred in a manner befitting a Mason of his high standing. The lodge is making good progress and has a painstaking Secretary.

Dymont Lodge, No 442, Thessalon. I visited this lodge on March 10th, there being a good attendance of Past Masters and members. The second degree was well conferred, W. Bro. White, the W. M., lives some miles from the lodge, but is most faithful in the performance of his duties and has the active support of his Past Masters, and in Bro. Nokes an efficient Secretary. More frequent practices of the work by its officers would be of benefit. This Lodge is unique in the possession of all Grand Lodge reports since 1855, well bound, down to 1900. I urged that the remainder be bound in a similar manner. The care taken and the appreciation of these reports differ from cases where we occasionally find them used as window supports or other like purposes. The lodge shows good progress.

Penewobikong Lodge, No. 487, Blind River. On March 14th I visited this lodge, when there was a good attendance. The third degree was conferred in a commendable manner. W. Bro. Watson, the W. M., doing all the work. At the conclusion of the ceremony a brother recently raised to that degree was examined in open lodge as to his proficiency. This custom is not followed by all lodges, and might well be adopted. Another custom of this lodge is periodically to compile a history of its proceedings for the years immediately preceding, so that it is always kept up to date. The lodge has a

My official visits were made so far as could be on regular meeting nights, though this was not always possible, but the brethren consulted my convenience in every way, and in some instances at their own request emergent meetings were called.

Nipissing Lodge, No. 420, North Bay. I visited this lodge on November 1st. There was a large attendance of Past Masters and members, notwithstanding counter attractions in the town. To the accompaniment of the musical ritual the first degree was conferred in an excellent manner. Under the able guidance of W. Bro. Alford the lodge is making good progress and is to be congratulated on its officers. Its books as usual are well kept by their efficient secretary, Bro. Fulcher. Advantage was taken of the occasion to present W. Bro. Nott, I.P.M. with a Past Master's jewel. Inadvertently I had asked the meeting to be called on the regular meeting night of Harington Preceptory, who graciously waived their rights. From the moment of my arrival to that of my departure the brethren apparently could not do enough to make my visit enjoyable.

Mattawa Lodge, No. 405, Mattawa. On November 2nd, I visited this Lodge when there was a good attendance of the members. The first degree was creditably conferred, V. W. Bro. Weegar and W. Bros. Nott and McKee of Nipissing Lodge, assisting. This lodge is working under great difficulties but holding its own, for which the brethren are entitled to great credit. The W. M., W. Bro. Coburn although not now a resident of the town is most faithful to his duties. A greater punctuality in the matter of the opening of its meetings, even at inconvenience and some sacrifice to the brethren would be beneficial. To Bro. H. H. Betts the lodge is deeply indebted for his untiring zeal.

Doric Lodge, No. 455, Little Current. On February 8th I visited this lodge. The attendance was considerably above the average, most of the resident members being present, while a number drove in from a distance on a stormy winter's night, evincing their interest in Masonry. The first degree was well conferred under the direction of W. Bro. Stewart, R. W. Bro. Wallace giving the concluding portion in a manner I have never heard



valuable Secretary in W. Bro. McArthur, and the R. W. Bro. White is a great strength in maintaining the established customs. Good progress is being made.

Sturgeon Falls, No. 447, Sturgeon Falls. I visited this lodge on March 17th. The first degree was conferred in a creditable manner by W. Bro. Innes, the W. M. There was a good attendance, far beyond the average, of members and Past Masters. Here again I think more punctual opening would be beneficial. The J. W. was absent but his office was creditably filled by W. Bro. Bain. This lodge is confronted with many difficulties, yet it is bravely holding its own, and though small in numbers is the only one in the district to have its lodge room in a building used for no other purpose, and owned by the lodge, and at that free from debt. To R.W. Bro. Piercy, its untiring Secretary, cannot be given too much credit for his efforts on its behalf.

Algoma Lodge, No. 469, Sault Ste. Marie. On March 21st I visited this lodge. The first degree was conferred in an excellent manner by W. Bro. Hesson, assisted by Past Masters, to the accompaniment of the musical ritual. If comment can be made on any of its officers I would refer to the work of the J. W., Bro. Hopper, whom I have never heard equalled. There was a very large attendance, and progress is the order of the day.

Keystone Lodge, No. 412, Sault Ste. Marie. I visited this lodge on March 22nd. The exemplification of the third degree was of the highest order, and the beautiful music rendered by its excellent choir added to the sublimity of its work. The attendance was the largest of any of my visits, some 30 Past Masters being present. With W. Bro. Shier and his subordinates this lodge has a good corps of officers. V. W. Bro. Campbell, one of their esteemed Past Masters, who recently passed away, will be much missed by the brethren. The lodge maintains its record for good progress, and its books are well kept.

The kindness of the brethren of these two lodges, who appeared to vie with each other in that respect, will long be remembered.



Gore Bay, No. 472, Gore Bay. On May 2nd I visited this lodge. The second degree was most commendably conferred. There was a good attendance and an excellent spirit manifest. W. Bro. Baker is an earnest W. M., has the support of his Past Masters, and has an excellent Secretary in Bro. Platt. Good progress is being made.

Algonquin, No. 536, Copper Cliff. I visited this lodge on May 17th. The first degree was conferred in an excellent manner by an efficient body of officers, a son of W. Bro. Hambley being the candidate. This lodge had not in the early part of the year many candidates, but W. Bro. Newton, the W. M., has kept the spirit alive and the light burning bright by the many interesting and valuable discourses delivered by members and visitors on Masonic subjects at its different meetings, so that no member need ever go home without some knowledge gained. Recently it has been adding to its membership, and I look for good progress being made. A commendable effort has been made to bring in all unaffiliated brethren in the town.

Nickel Lodge, No. 427, Sudbury. I visited my home lodge on May 25th. The third degree was conferred, the work being in keeping with the high standard of this lodge, whose work I had the opportunity of judging throughout the year. It had been my intention to hold a Lodge of Instruction, Nickel Lodge having kindly consented to the use of its lodge room and undertaken to give its assistance. Later events caused me to conclude that such might be dispensed with for the present year, though I am heartily in favor of same being held yearly, so W. Bro. Hutchinson, the W. M., with his usual energy, proceeded to make the occasion of my visit of the nature of a district meeting, with wonderful success. There was a very large attendance of officers and members and visitors, many of the latter coming from a distance, only two lodges in the district not being represented. The lodge has bright prospects.

In all the lodges no matter what the degree exemplified, they have opened and closed in all degrees, so that I have had a good opportunity of judging the nature of their work. I have endeavoured to make my visits not

the occasion for criticism, but rather kindly suggestion, where I considered such might be helpful, remembering that much which happens is more frequently due to nervousness than because of its being the usual custom.

I have made no mention of the many pleasant hours spent at refreshment, but one and all entertained me most hospitably and bounteously, have been kind and courteous beyond anything I had expected, while the speeches and the entertainment afforded have been of a high order, befitting the dignity of Masonry, leaving happy recollections not to be effaced from my memory.

I extend my sincere thanks to the Past Masters of Nickel Lodge, by one or more of whom I was accompanied on nearly every visit, thereby adding so much to the pleasure of same.

The year has been one of progress, one of harmony, and one also of profit, I trust, and perhaps in this last respect to none more than myself as I came to more fully appreciate the truly Masonic spirit alive in this district.

One of the greatest pleasures of the year I have found, as another has said, that of renewing the old friendships and of making new ones, a pleasure that will never fade away.

Fraternally submitted,

JOSEPH FOWLER, D.D.G.M.,

Nipissing District No. 18

## MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting my report on the condition of Masonry in Muskoka District No. 10, I want first of all to bear testimony to the efficient manner in which the District Secretary, W. Bro. M. McClure, of Port Sydney, and the District Chaplain, Bro. (Rev.) J. B. Skene, of Huntsville, have discharged their duties and lightened the burden of my task. I have had the opportunity of visiting officially all the lodges once, and in some cases have been able to pay unofficial visits, and in most every instance, these brethren were with me, cheerfully performing any task assigned to them, and relieving me of many minor details connected with my work.

Early in the year, I arranged a schedule of dates for my visits to the various lodges, and invited the brethren to accompany me. These were sent to the secretaries, or posted in the lodge portals. The result was most encouraging, for the large attendance of visiting brethren evinced an active interest in improving their masonic knowledge, and widening the spirit of brotherhood amongst the craft in the district. I was never alone, and in most cases several brethren from neighboring lodges were present.

Throughout the District I found the condition of masonry most excellent. In every lodge there prevailed the spirit of true brotherhood, with a conspicuous absence of every influence which could retard or render impotent the active spirit of fraternity and good-will. I sought to make my visits helpful to the brethren, as well as to myself. Ambitious for a high and uniform standard of efficiency in the work, I did not withhold criticism when I believed it tended toward the objective I had in view, nor did I fail, where merited, to give a meed of praise. The response has been spontaneous, and indicative of a desire to do the work efficiently and uniformly.

I found little lacking in the exemplification of that spirit illustrative of true Masonry, which finds its expression only in the hearts of the brethren. Without it there can be no foundation upon which permanent success can be attained. I have sought to remind my brethren that success in the end, is measured by the extent in which we exemplify the genuine tenets and principles of the craft in our lives and daily conduct, rather in the more material things pertaining to lodge development or growth in membership. And while we must not wholly ignore the importance of material progress, we shall miss the great purpose of our masonic life, if we neglect development of the fundamental principles upon which the craft is founded.

Throughout the District scrupulous care has been taken in the selecting of men capable of filling the various offices efficiently. Every Master in the District has shown capacity in a marked degree. In all lodges, save only one, the Secretarial work is in the hands of a Past Master. I therefore found this important office splendidly and capably filled, with records well kept, and a serious interest displayed in keeping well up with the requirements of Grand Lodge. It is due from me to say also, that the character of the subordinate officers has shown wise choice, with the promise of splendid material for the higher responsibilities when the time comes. All lodges report a very healthy condition, both as to membership and finances.

There is a lack of uniformity in the date of the election of officers among the lodges, and I would recommend that the date be made uniform, say in June. It would place all lodges on a fairer basis of comparison, and would ensure greater uniformity of effort.

I desire in conclusion to convey to the brethren of the District, an expression of my deepest appreciation of the honor conferred upon me in electing me District Deputy Grand Master. To me it has been a year of great joy and deepened interest in the things which mean most in masonic development. It has also given me a broadened acquaintance with the brethren of the district, thus affording me the privilege of numbering many new and estimable masons among my list of personal friends.

I desire to acknowledge also the debt of gratitude I owe to the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, who visited the District twice during the year upon my invitation, and who, by his inimitable and attractive personality and democratic bearing, captured the hearts of all our brethren who were fortunate enough to meet him. It was our happy privilege also to have with us once during the year, R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, the Grand Secretary. He too left the impress of his genial personality upon us all.

### Official Visits

Corona Lodge, Burks Falls. My initial official visit was paid to the brethren of Corona Lodge, No., 454, Burks Falls, on February 14th. I was accompanied by my official brethren, and also by R. W. Bros. Shearer and Grant, and W. Bro. Gerhart from Unity. W. Bro. G. F. Myers, the W. M., conferred the second degree in a very creditable manner, assisted by R. W. Bro. Hillier, V. W. Bro. Wilson and W. Bro. Bunt. I was received most cordially, and retain very happy memories of my first official visit. The junior officers all showed good capacity and shared with the Master commendable pride in the quality of work done. The social side of the evening was very nicely arranged, and enjoyed to the fullest.

Unity Lodge, Huntsville. It was, of course a special delight to me to have the privilege of paying an official visit to my mother lodge, Unity, where for many years I have mingled with the brethren and shared with them the responsibilities of the work. I was received most cordially by the W. M., W. Bro. J. D. MacDonald, and the brethren. The attendance was very large, and the interest shown by the membership of Unity Lodge in maintaining the high standards set in former years, was clearly manifested. The work performed by the W. M. and his officers was most creditable. During the year, Unity has initiated 28 new members all men of high and honorable standing in the community. The past masters are numerous, and all take a keen interest in the work from night to night. There are three past District Deputies in active association with the work, R. W. Bros. Shearer, Fisher and Grant.



Granite Lodge, Parry Sound. The oldest and largest lodge in the district, Granite maintains its ascendancy. I was present with them on my official visit on March 16th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. J. N. Shearer, and W. Bro. McClure, the District Secretary. The lodge room is quite too small to accommodate the large membership, and was almost uncomfortably crowded on the occasion. W. Bro. Perks, the W. M., worked the third degree with more than ordinary ability. He is blessed with a fine resonant voice, which he uses very impressively in the work. He is supported by a staff of officers of more than ordinary promise. The work of the deacons, Bros. Zeilger and Dick, was the best I witnessed anywhere in the District. R. W. Bros. Knifton and Limbert maintain an active interest in the work of Granite Lodge, the former performing most efficiently the work of Secretary.

Granite Lodge has at present under consideration some plans for the improvement of their lodge home. More accommodation is badly need. They are in excellent financial standing.

Strong Lodge, Sundridge. On March 21st, I visited Strong Lodge at Sundridge, and was accompanied by several brethren from Huntsville, Emsdale and Burks Falls. W. Bro. Church received us most cordially, and neglected no detail to make our visit pleasant. He is a very efficient Master, and has a thorough grasp of the work. The degrees, as well as the opening and closing, were all creditably done. W. Bro. Church has good Past Master support in W. Bros. Bailey and Anderson. The latter, as Secretary, has a very thorough grasp of the details of the lodge, all of which are well in hand. The pleasure was mine while there of meeting and conferring with an applicant for membership, Mr. Norman Black, who lost a limb while on active service with the Canadian troops in France. I was pleased to be able to recommend Mr. Black favorably to the Grand Master, and it is a satisfaction to know that the Grand Master very promptly consented to waive all objections because of his physical infirmities. He has since been initiated.

Muskoka Lodge, Bracebridge. I visited Muskoka Lodge on April 5th, accompanied by several brethren from Huntsville, Emsdale and Gravenhurst. The

occasion was one of the memorable ones of the year. W. Bro. Harry Linney, the W. M., was most gracious in his reception, and, with the assistance of his officers, worked the first degree very efficiently. He is well backed in the work by R. W. Bro. McKay, and V. W. Bros. Warne and Bird, all of whom take an active interest in the work. V. W. Bro. Warne is Secretary. The year has been marked by substantial progress in both numbers and finance. Muskoka Lodge enjoys the distinction of being the mother lodge of the late Most Worshipful Brother Aubrey White, a fine portrait of whom adorns the wall of the lodge room. A splendid banquet was tendered the visitors at the Queen's Hotel. Many of the brethren live considerable distances from the town, and were present at much personal inconvenience, in the matter of travel.

Powassan Lodge, Powassan, Ont. Powassan Lodge bounds our district on the north. I had the pleasure of visiting the brethren on April 8th, and found that during the past year very substantial progress had been made. The W. M., W. Bro. J. B. Lake, is a young man of ability and is clearly giving his best to the interests of his lodge. He has less Past Master assistance than many other Masters, the number there being limited. W. Bro. Williams, and W. Bro. Oldfield are valuable helpers, however, and the Secretary, Bro. Porter is very efficient in the discharge of his duties. The work was well done, and the Master has good assistance from the subordinate officers among whom were some very bright and promising young men. I had the pleasure while at the meeting, of meeting W. Bro. Carmichael, the first Master of Powassan Lodge, who is still hale and hearty and takes a very active interest in the work of Powassan lodge. The brethren tendered us a splendid banquet at the close of the meeting.

Golden Rule Lodge, Gravenhurst. It was somewhat of a surprise for me to see the magnificent new home of the brethren of Golden Rule Lodge. It was acquired during the year, and was opened only a short time before I paid my visit. It stands easily superior to any other lodge room in the whole district, and I doubt if there is a Masonic home north of Toronto which can excel it in spacious grandeur or magnificent furnishings and lighting. In addition to several other distinguished brethren

from various parts of the District, I was accompanied upon this occasion by R. W. Bro. McConkey of Kearney, who is rightly regarded as the "Grand Old Man" of Masonry in this district. The W.M., W. Bro. W.H. Butterworth elected in December last, gave unmistakable evidence of his serious application to his duties. He was most proficient in the opening and closing of the various degrees, and worked the third degree in a most impressive manner. He had valuable assistance from the W. Bro. Thomas Treavette. The Secretary of this lodge, V. W. Bro. Davidson, is a veteran in the work, and gives valuable assistance to his lodge. There is also a fine array of Past Masters, and two active Past D. D. G. Ms., R. W. Bros. McLeay and E. M. Clipsham, both of whom are regular attendants. Golden Rule Lodge has among its members several successful business men, who are rendering valuable assistance in providing the new commodious home. The banquet was given in the Council Chamber, and was one of more than ordinary interest.

Algonquin Lodge, No. 434, Emsdale. It was much like going home to visit my brethren at Algonquin Lodge, Emsdale. I have gone as a visitor upon many former occasions, and knew something of the cordial welcome which would await me. Several distinguished brethren accompanied me. The Master, W. Bro. Thurston, was completing his second term, and did all the work under his charge with conspicuous care and accuracy. He has a "battery" of efficient Past Masters, and the lodge is favored also in having as regular attendants, R. W. Bros. Metcalf and McConkey, the former of whom is Secretary. W. Bro. Pearce is also a most valuable assistance, and is in attendance regularly. The work of all degrees is well done, and the prospects before Algonquin are very bright and encouraging. The social atmosphere is always charged with fraternity and good will, and the occasion of my official visit was no exception.

### LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

For the first time since the outbreak of the late war in 1914, a Lodge of Instruction was held. It convened at Bracebridge on May 18th, and was attended by the M. W. the Grand Master. Representatives were present from every lodge in the District, the registered attendance

exceeding two hundred. The First degree was worked by Granite Lodge of Parry Sound, with W. Bro. Perks in the chair. Golden Rule Lodge of Gravenhurst, worked the Second, under the direction of W. Bro. Butterworth, with W. M. and the Third was exemplified by Unity Lodge of Huntsville, with the W. M., W. Bro. J. D. MacDonald presiding. All the lodges were given some responsibility, and all measured up every creditably. The Grand Master was received by W. Bro. Linney, and the officers of Muskoka Lodge, under whose auspices the event was organized. The M. W. the Grand Master was kind in his references to the quality of work done, intimating that, judged by the excellence of the work performed, a Lodge of Instruction was not a crying necessity in Muskoka District, No. 19. Every arrangement was perfectly carried out by the local organizing committee, headed by R. W. Bro. McKay.

In the evening a splendid banquet was provided, with the viands supplied by the ladies of St. Thomas' Church. It was a perfect arrangement. Many interesting addresses were delivered, and other numbers of a musical and literary character, enlivened the program.

### DISTRICT DIVINE SERVICE

On June 26th, at Huntsville, the first District Divine Service ever held in the District took place. The attendance was excellent and represented nearly every lodge in the District. A very eloquent and impressive masonic sermon was preached by the District Chaplain, Bro. (Rev.) J. B. Skene, B. A., at St. Andrews Church, which was packed to the doors. The musical part of the program was organized by Bro. Earl R. Mass, and consisted of a Masonic orchestra and choir. The conducting was in charge of Mr. John Collins.

The visiting brethren were highly pleased with the innovation, and it is expected that a District service of the same character will be an annual feature.

### A DEDICATION CEREMONY

On June 16th, the W. M., the Grand Master, dedicated the magnificent lodge room of Golden Rule Lodge, Gravenhurst. He was accompanied by R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, the Grand Secretary, and the occasion also brought

together many distinguished brethren from all parts of the district. The ceremony took place at four o'clock in the afternoon, but despite this the attendance ran well toward 200. After the ceremony was concluded, the brethren of Golden Rule provided an excellent banquet in the Council Chamber, with the catering in charge of the Women's Social Improvement Committee of Gravenhurst. The arrangements were splendidly organized and reflect credit upon the W. M., W. Bro. Butterworth, and his officers and committees. Both the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary were among the speakers at the banquet.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

H. E. RICE, D. D. G. M.,

Muskoka District No. 19



## VICTORIA DISTRICT NO. 20

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

It is with great pleasure that I submit my report on the condition of Masonry in Victoria District for the year ending June 24, 1921.

In this district there are 15 Lodges under the jurisdiction of the District Deputy Grand Master, and I am most pleased to report that with one exception the work is being carried on in a most creditable and efficient manner.

During my term of office I have officially visited every Lodge in the district, and while I have found the work exemplified better in some Lodges than others, yet the true Masonic spirit is well established throughout the district.

In several of the lodges the musical part of the ceremony is of inestimable benefit in creating interest, and adding dignity to the high standard of the work which is done in those lodges where they have a full choir, and I would recommend that so soon as more lodges are able to find material, they adopt this added wealth to their work.

I cannot let this opportunity pass of again impressing upon the lodges the necessity of using the greatest care in taking applications for membership. This I am afraid is somewhat overlooked in their great drive to gain numerical strength. It is not numbers that count, but that high standard of character which go to make up a clean, worthy Mason and a citizen of whom we may all feel proud.

I find that the lodge rooms are all well appointed and well furnished, consistent with the size of the several places they are located in.

Several Lodges in the District have found it advisable and necessary to increase the initiation fees and yearly dues, and several others could well follow their example.

In nearly all cases the Worshipful Masters of the different lodges have a wonderful strength in the Past Masters, who come out to their lodges regularly. This was particularly noticeable in some of the lodges, as on two of my official visits there were sixteen Past Masters out. Certainly it must have been an inspiration to the officers and members generally.

Lodge Secretaries all though the district have their work well in hand, and although they do not all adopt the same system, yet I find them very efficient and nearly all of them holding office for long periods. I think it is a mistake to change these officers, except of necessity.

It is unfortunate that in some cases lodges are making the mistake of electing senior officers who live so far away that they cannot possibly get together for the purpose of Masonic grinds or practice, with the result that it makes poor work and lack of interest.

No lodge can prosper unless all the officers get together immediately after installation and strive to attain that degree of perfection which is necessary to create enthusiasm, and thereby have lodge and instructions meetings.

On all of my official visits I have endeavored to point out each and every deviation from the prescribed work, and to enter into every good natured discussion arising out of the work, for by this means we all profit.

During the year the hand of the Grim Reaper has removed from our midst some of our most prominent Masons, whose places will be hard to fill. Their strength of character and their good works abounding as well out of the lodge room as in it and their loss we greatly deplore.

My last official duty was that of dedicating Victoria Lodge No. 398, Kirkland, on June 22nd. In this ceremony I was ably assisted by twenty-seven Grand Lodge Officers and Past Masters. The attendance on this occasion was about 150, and I will long remember this most pleasing ceremony.

### Lodges Visited

North Entrance, 463, Haliburton, March 17.

King George V. 498, Coboconk, March 21.

Spry 406, Fenelon Falls, March 23.

Harding 477, Woodville, April 18.

Somerville 451, Kinmount, April 21.

Verulam 298, Bobcaygeon, April 22.

Victoria 398, Kirkfield, April 27.

Arcadia 440, Minden, April 29.

Faithful Brethren 77, Lindsay, May 6.

Lorne 375, Omemee, May 12.

Maurray 101, Beaverton, May 17.

Corinthian 101, Peterboro, May 20.

Royal Arthur 523, Peterboro, June 1.

Peterboro 155, Peterboro, June 3.

Clementi 313, Lakefield, June 7.

Upon nearly all my official visits I was accompanied by a number of Past Masters and members of my own lodge, and my warmest thanks go out to them all for their kindness and readiness to assist in every way possible.

I particularly wish to convey my thanks to W. Bro. Burgoyne, my District Secretary, for his untiring work in making my labors as light as possible.

In conclusion I desire to say that I will have many happy memories of my work during the past year, and I bespeak for my successor the same measure of happiness and success.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

H. J. TOWNLEY, D.D.G.M.,

Victoria District No. 20.

## EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

I have the honour to present herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Eastern District No. 21 for the year just closed. In doing so permit me to express to the brethren of the district my sincere thanks and appreciation for the honor they conferred on me in placing me in this important and responsible position. I also wish to express my thanks to the P. D. D. G. Ms. for the kindness and valuable aid given me during the year and also to the P. Ms. officers and members of the lodges who paid so many friendly visits to sister lodges on my official visits.

My first official duty was to appoint W. Bro. D. Fink district secretary, and Bro. T. H. Iveson district Chaplain, the former P.M. and the latter the present master of my mother Lodge. W. Bro. Fink has been fifty-two years a mason and forty-seven years a P. M., and I think I am quite safe in saying he is the oldest P. M. in the district and my thanks are due him for the very valuable assistance he gave me during the year.

### Constituting and Consecrating

By command of the M. W. the Grand Master I had the honor of constituting and consecrating Finch Lodge and dedicating their lodge rooms on Dec. 8th. I was assisted by a number of P. D. D. G. Ms. Masters and P. Ms. from other lodges throughout the district.

### Official Visits

Visited Hawkesbury Lodge, Hawkesbury on Dec. 8th. At an emergent meeting the first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Larrett, the W. M. in a very efficient manner. He was supported by a capable staff of officers. Bro. W. G. MacDonald is an efficient secretary, and his books are well kept.

On Feb. 20th I visited Chesterville Lodge, Chesterville. The degree work as well as the opening and closing in the several degrees was well done by the Master and his efficient staff of officers. R. W. Bro. Sweet, accompanied by a number of other brethren from Henderson Lodge was present, and assisted greatly in the success of the meeting. Chesterville has the honor of owning their own lodge rooms entirely free from debt.

Visited St. John's Vankleek Hill on Feb. 21st. W. Bro. A. D. McRae and his officers are to be congratulated on the excellent manner in which the work of conferring the third degree was done. This lodge has been handicapped in not having a regular secretary until six months ago, but they have one now in Bro. John Hartley who is a model in exactness and who is making strenuous efforts to collect the arrearages. A feature of this meeting was the taking of a collection for a needy brother which resulted in over seventy-five dollars. St. John's is the oldest lodge in the district, having received its first charter from the Grand Lodge of Ireland before the Grand Lodge of Canada was formed.

Visited Wales Lodge on April 18th. The work of the first degree was well done by the W. M. W. Bro. Robb and his officers. W. Bro. Colquhoun is an efficient secretary, and his books are well kept.

Visited Lancaster Lodge, Lancaster, on April 19th. The work of the third degree was exceptionally well done by P. M. W. Bro. V. McRae. R. W. Bro. Nicholson is the efficient secretary of this lodge. Lancaster Lodge own the building in which their rooms are situated and it was my pleasant duty at this meeting to burn the mortgage as they had lately paid the last instalment on their indebtedness.

On April 20th I visited Alexandria Lodge, Alexandria. This was an emergent meeting called at my request. The work of second degree was well performed by the W. M., W. Bro. R. H. Cowan. R. W. Bro. Bradley P.D.D. G.M. is a tower of strength to this lodge. Their present quarters are rather cramped, but they hope at some not too distant date to own their own building, as they set apart a certain portion of their lodge dues each year towards a building fund. R. W. Bro. D. Stewart, P.G.C., is an efficient secretary, and his books are in excellent shape.



Visited Finch Lodge on April 21st. The work of the first degree was so well done that I asked the officers of this lodge to exemplify the same degree at a lodge of instruction which I held in my mother Lodge on June 17th. This was my second visit to this lodge as I had the honor of constituting and consecrating Finch Lodge and dedicating their lodge room. Finch Lodge has a bright future and they are doing good work.

Visited Cornwall Lodge, Cornwall, on May 4th, on regular meeting. The first degree was done in an admirable manner by the W. M. W. Bro. F. P. Hall and his efficient staff of officers. R. W. Bro. Ridley is the secretary of this lodge and his books are an example of neatness and accuracy, and the work of the D.D.G.M. would be made much easier if all secretaries were as efficient as R. W. Bro. Ridley. This was the only visit at which I had the privilege of hearing the musical ritual and it certainly adds much to the ceremony.

Visited Maxville Lodge, Maxville, on May 5th. This was an emergent meeting held at my request. Through some misunderstanding the secretary did not issue summons till two or three days before meeting, but notwithstanding the short notice there was a good attendance. The work of the third degree was well done by the W. M. W. Bro. Stewart, who I think is the youngest Master in the district, but the work of the other officers was not up to average and they should have considerable schooling. This was the last meeting Maxville held in their then commodious lodge rooms, as on the evening of May 8th the building in which their rooms were situated was completely destroyed by fire. I would like to see the other lodges of the district help them in the purchase of furniture and regalia.

May 13th was the date of my official visit to Cardinal Lodge. This lodge deserves the reputation of doing the work the best of any lodge in the district. The manner in which the first degree was conferred was beyond criticism. W. Bro. Kingston is the efficient secretary and it is through his efforts Cardinal Lodge can boast of having no outstanding dues. The prospects of the lodge are excellent. It was also my pleasant duty to install the officers of Cardinal Lodge and Friendly Bros. Lodge at a joint installation held at Cardinal on Dec. 27th.

Visited Plantagenet Lodge, Riceville, on May 16th. There being no degree work the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees to my satisfaction. Plantagenet Lodge is situated in a district where a large majority of the residents are very antagonistic towards Masonry, but I am pleased to say they are holding their own, due largely to the untiring efforts of P.D.D.G.M. R. W. Bro. Shepperd and W. Bro. G. A. Ryan, the efficient secretary. Plantagenet Lodge are comfortably housed in their own building free from debt.

Visited Avonmore Lodge on May 17th. The first degree was well done by W. Bro. Arthur MacMillan and his officers. The books are well kept by the secretary Bro. E. R. MacMillan. I was very much surprised to know Avonmore still retained the very low initiation fee of twenty-five dollars, and I recommended they raise it to at least forty and preferably fifty dollars.

Visited Williamsburg Lodge on May 19th. The work of the third degree was well done by the W. M. W. Bro. Smail and his officers. The candidate, Bro. Cassilman, was a returned soldier who lost his right leg overseas. The books are well kept by the secretary W. Bro. J. A. Barkley.

Visited Henderson Lodge, Winchester, May 20th. There being no degree work I asked to have the lodge opened and closed in the three degrees, which was very poorly done. In fact it was the poorest I had seen in the district. Bro. MaCourtie is an efficient secretary and his books are well kept.

On June 3rd I visited Excelsior Lodge, Morrisburg, on the occasion of dedicating their new lodge rooms. M. W. Bro. Harcourt honored this meeting by his presence and conducted the ceremony. Excelsior can boast of the most commodious lodge rooms in the district and they certainly are to be congratulated. Much of the success is due to the untiring efforts of R. W. Bro. W. C. Darcy, the present master, in whose hands most of the work was intrusted. The books are kept in excellent shape by the secretary W. Bro. B. A. Herring.

Visited Farran's Point, Aultsville, on June 15th. A pleasant feature of this meeting was W. Bro. Safford, of

Friendly Bros. Lodge conferring the first degree on his nephew and W. Bro. Edwards, the second degree on his son. W. Bro. Edwards also initiated his son at the previous meeting. R. W. Bro. Hanes is an efficient secretary, and his books are in excellent shape.

On June 17th I made my official visit to my mother lodge, Friendly Brothers Iroquois, at the Lodge of Instruction, which was a decided success in every respect. Finch Lodge, Cardinal Lodge and Cornwall Lodge exemplified the first, second and third degrees respectively and they did their work in a manner that left nothing to be criticized. There are not enough Lodges of Instruction held in Eastern District, as it is some ten years since the last one was held and I would like to see one every year, not only for the good one receives from the instruction he gets and to make the work more uniform, but also to make the the brethren better acquainted one with another and to create the true fraternal feeling among us.

So far I have said nothing of the social functions which followed each of my visits. On all of these occasions there was nothing left to be desired and it is truly wonderful what Masonic knowledge one can gather from the high order of the speeches one hears on these occasions.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the many acts of kindness and courtesy shown me on all the occasions on which it has been my privilege to meet them.

It has been my earnest endeavor to fill the high and responsible position of the representative of the M. W. the Grand Master in this district to the best of my ability, and I would ask the brethren to forbear with me where I have failed measuring up to the duties pertaining to the office. The sacred trust given to me one year ago I shall be pleased to hand to my successor, assuring him he will find a royal welcome awaiting him from every lodge in the district.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN D. HARKNESS, D. D. G. M.,

Eastern District No. 21.

## TEMISKAMING DISTRICT NO. 22

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

I take pleasure in submitting my report of Masonic proceedings, and the condition of Masonry in the 22nd Masonic District, during the past year.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of the district for the honor they conferred on me by electing me to the high office of D.D.G.M. and for the unfailing courtesy and kindness with which I have been received while acting as the representative of the M. W. the Grand Master.

My first act was to appoint W. Bro. Roy D. Devlin as District Secretary, and I was rendered very valuable assistance by his attention and faithfulness to all the details of the work. I regret exceedingly to have to report his sudden death in Rochester., Minn., on the 28th May, 1921, following an operation. I attended the funeral from his parents' home in Pembroke on the 2nd June, accompanied by several Past Masters of Silver Lodge, No. 486, and assisted by the officers and members of Pembroke Lodge, No. 128, the late brother was buried with full Masonic honors.

Masonry throughout the district is in a very healthy and vigorous condition. Harmony prevails in all lodges and true Masonic teachings are being practised. The work in every lodge is of a uniform and very high standard, and I have not found it necessary to make many suggestions or corrections as it has been done practically perfectly and most impressively. I am also pleased to report that several of the lodges are now using the musical ritual and have very fine choirs.

This has been a prosperous year in this district, and several of the lodges have made good progress both financially and in membership, and this latter with due regard to the quality of the candidates. I also find that the various secretaries are doing excellent work, and their books and records seem to be correctly kept.



Temiskaming district is a live one, and I fell proud to have had the honor of being the representative of the M. W. the Grand Master in so bright a spot. My official visits will always remain a pleasant memory. I was everywhere received in a most friendly way, and I made many new friends. I would also like to thank the Past D.D.G. Ms. of the district for their attendance with me on my visits, and their kindly advice and help on all occasions.

I visited all the lodges once officially, and many of them two or three times.

My first official visit was paid to Englehart Lodge, on the 21st March, 1921, and the first degree was excellently performed by W. Bro. Skinner, assisted by several Past Masters. This lodge is making steady progress; has good quarters, and the books are well kept. I was accompanied on this visit by about 40 members of Silver Lodge, No. 486, Cobalt, who were paying a fraternal visit, and after the above work, W. Bro. H. E. Tomney and his officers exemplified the third degree.

Porcupine Lodge was officially visited on the 7th April, 1921, and I was unfortunate in missing my train connection from the main line to Porcupine, the inclement weather being the cause. However, as the candidate was on the same train, the W. M. called off until we arrived, and although rather late, W. Bro. Richardson conferred the first degree in a splendid manner. The books of this lodge are efficiently kept and finances in good shape.

Cochrane Lodge was officially visited on the 8th April, 1921. The work of the first degree was conferred in a very able manner by W. Bro. Rumford and his officers. There was a large attendance at this meeting, many of the members having come long distances to be present. This Lodge is making great progress, having initiated 25 members up to the time of my visit, and W. Bro. Rumford is to be commended for his excellent work, as unfortunately all the P. Ms. of the lodge have moved away and he has been practically alone. After the above mentioned degree was concluded, W. Bro. R. Le Heup, W. Bro. W. M. Widdifield and myself initiated another candidate.

This lodge has a bright future. The books are excellently kept, and the financial position very good.



Golden Beaver Lodge, Timmins, was officially visited on the 13th April, 1921, and the first degree was most impressively conferred by W. Bro. White and his officers. There was a very large attendance and I was introduced to the lodge by my immediate predecessor, R. W. Bro C. G. Williams. This lodge is making good progress, and is in fine condition in every way. The books are very well kept.

Abitibi Lodge, Iroquois Falls, was officially visited on 15th April, 1921, and I was accompanied on this occasion by V. W. Bro. S. Weeger, of Nipissing Lodge, North Bay, and the W. M. and several members of Silver Lodge, Cobalt. The work of the first degree was faultlessly rendered by W. Bro. Spence and his officers and Past Masters, assisted by a very fine choir.

This lodge is in a splendid condition and has a bright future, and all the members are full of enthusiasm. The books are very well kept.

V. W. Weeger gave a talk in his inimitable way. Abitibi Lodge are noted for the royal way in which they entertain visitors, and I sincerely thank them for their hospitality and many kindnesses received.

Elk Lake Lodge was officially visited on the 29th April, 1921, and in spite of the very inclement weather, there was a very good attendance. Owing to the roads being practically impassable, the candidate could not get to town, and W. Bro. Fred Kirk exemplified the third degree in an excellent manner. This lodge is going along very well considering conditions, and is making progress. The books are well kept, and the financial position good.

Haileybury Lodge was officially visited on the 5th May, 1921, and I was accompanied by a large number of visitors from practically all lodges in the south end of the district.

The work of the first degree was conferred in a very capable manner by W. Bro. A Brian and his officers, assisted by a good choir. This lodge has made good progress since the unfortunate loss of the quarters by fire in November, 1919. They have a splendid new lodge room, very enthusiastic P. Ms. and members, and a very bright

future. The books are excellently kept, and finances in good condition. This lodge is fortunate in being well supported by R. W. Bro. A. N. J. McAulay, D. John and C. W. Haentschel.

Temiskaming Lodge, New Liskeard, was officially visited on the 19th May, 1921, and I was accompanied by R. W. Bro. D. John and a number of P. Ms. and members of the other lodges. I was introduced to the lodge by R. W. Bro. Homer W. Sutcliffe, after which W. Bro. Dr. W. J. Fuller and his officers initiated a candidate in a splendid manner. This lodge is prosperous, has a good future; the books are very well kept and finances good.

Silver Lodge, Cobalt. I made my last official visit to my own lodge on the 6th June, 1921, when the second degree was conferred on two brethren. The work was splendidly done by W. Bro. H. E. Tomney and his officers, assisted by several Past Masters and the choir. This lodge is in a prosperous condition, and making good progress. The books are efficiently kept.

On the invitation of the below mentioned Lodges, I had the great pleasure of installing their new officers for the year.

December 2nd, 1920, Haileybury Lodge, No. 485.

December 6th, 1920, Silver Lodge, No. 486, Cobalt.

December 27th, 1920, Porcupine Lodge, No. 506, assisted by W. Bro. LeHeup.

January 21st, 1921, Abitibi Lodge, No. 540, Iroquois Falls.

On the 3rd March, 1921, I was instructed by the M. W. the Grand Master to dedicate the new lodge room at Haileybury. There was a record attendance of members and visitors, eight of the nine lodges in the district being represented. I had the valuable assistance of R. W. Bro's. C. W. Haentschel, N. J. McAulay and D. John, and the ceremony was most impressive. Haileybury Lodge is to be commended on the splendid home they have secured, and the rapid recovery they have made since their unfortunate loss.

I have also had the pleasure of fraternal visits to Kipawa Lodge, Kipawa, P. Q. and Nipissing Lodge, North Bay.

On the 4th of July, 1921, we were honored by a visit from Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Fred W. Harcourt, to the southern end of the district, and a Lodge of Instruction was held at Silver Lodge, Cobalt, at which the second degree was conferred by the Masters of Cobalt, Haileybury, New Liskeard and Englehart Lodges. Notwithstanding the excessive heat, a large crowd attended this meeting and a very enjoyable time was had.

The Grand Master was accompanied in his visit by Rt. Wor. Bro. A. J. Young, and was attended by all the Past and the Present District Deputy Grand Masters in the south end of the district.

On July 5th, 1921, the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, visited Golden Beaver Lodge, Timmins, at which a Lodge of Instruction was held and the First Degree exemplified by the Worshipful Master and officers of Golden Beaver Lodge, Porcupine Lodge and Cochrane Lodge. There was a very large attendance and a splendid time was had at the meeting.

The visits of Grand Lodge officers to this district have always been very much appreciated by the members and I certainly recommend that these visits be made annually. We were favored with a very fine address from the Grand Master at each of these meetings, and from both an instructive and social standpoint, the meetings should be continued. I can put forth a standing invitation from any or all the lodges in this district to have the Most Worshipful the Grand Master visit as any time.

In conclusion, I would again express my thanks to all those brethren who accompanied me on my various visits, and also to the Masters of all the lodges in the district for the kindly and fraternal way in which I was received and entertained during my sojourn with them.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

FRANK H. TODD, D. D. G. M.,

Temiskaming District No. 22.

## BRANT DISTRICT No. 23

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir & Brethren:-

I have the honor of submitting my official report on the condition of Masonry in Brant District No. 23. I have visited each lodge in the district, and some of them on several occasions. The work is uniform throughout the district.

My initial act was to appoint Wor. Bro. R. T. Stillman District Secretary, and draft a letter to the several lodges notifying them of my election and soliciting their co-operation, and urging each lodge to make at least two fraternal visits.

### VISITS

On Sept. 21st, visited Onondaga Lodge and dedicated their new lodge rooms. This lodge is to be congratulated on owning its own premises. I was assisted by Rt. Wor. Bros. Kilgour, McGregor, Logie, Ross, Anderson and Scace, and a number of P. Ms. Eight lodges of the district were represented. Attendance 200. The ladies furnished a splendid banquet in the Town Hall. I unofficially visited this lodge on June 3rd, and witnessed the F. C. Degree.

Visited King Hiram Lodge, Hagersville, Oct. 21st. and witnessed the first degree. Was accompanied by P. D. D. G. M. Anderson, V. Wor. Broadbent, and six P. Ms. Seven lodges of the district were represented. Bro. Dr. Sherk, the first charter member, was present and made some reminiscent and inspiring remarks. Attendance 81.

Visited Wilson Lodge, Waterford, Oct. 27th. The Wor. Master, the R. W. Bro. James Ross and his officers worked the first degree in a perfect manner. Several lodges were represented. Was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Scace, V. Wor. Bro. Broadbent, and Wor. Bros. Roberts, Blain, and Stillman. Attendance 65.

Visited St. John's Lodge, Cayuga, Oct. 28th. Most Worshipful, Bro. F. W. Harcourt, K. C., Grand Master, was present on this occasion, his father, the late Michael Harcourt having been one of the first members of St. John's Lodge. Rt. Wor. Bros. McGregor of Caledonia, Ross, of Waterford, and Parkes, of Dunnville, were also present, as well as a large number of P. Ms. from five lodges of the district. Wor. Bro. J. C. Monro and his officers conferred the first degree in an efficient manner. It was a gala night, being the 75th. anniversary of St. John's Lodge. Attendance 110.. Most Wor. Bro. Harcourt delivered an inspiring address.

Visited Scotland Lodge, Nov. 8th. Rt. Wor. Bro. J. W. Prouse, of Washington Lodge, Buffalo, was present and gave a very fine address. Was accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bros. McGregor, G. A. Woodside, and a number of P. Ms. from Brantford and other lodges. Attendance about 250. This being ladies' night, a number of stirring addresses were given, interspersed with music.

Installed and invested the officers of Doric, Ozias, and Reba Lodges, Dec. 27th, assisted by Rt. Wor. Bros. Hanna, Spence, Scace, and a number of P. Ms. R. W. Bro. Walter Madill, Grand Junior Warden, was also present, and responded to the toast of Grand Lodge.

Visited Burford Lodge, Jan. 12th. Installed and invested the officers, assisted by Rt. Wor. Bros. Messacar, Myles, Anderson, and Scace, and several P. Ms. The occasion was unique, it being the 51st installation in which Rt. Wor. Bro. Myles had taken part.

On Jan. 17th, the Masonic Male Choir of Brantford visited Onondaga, and assisted the brethren in entertaining their wives and sweethearts. About fifty from the city went down. Unfortunately I was ill and unable to be present.

Officially visited St. John's Lodge, Paris, Feb. 8th. Wor. Bro. Haire and his officers worked the first degree in an able manner, Rt. Wor. Bro. Woolner, of Ayr, Scace of Brantford, and V. W. Bro. Broadbent and several P. Ms. from sister lodges being present. Bro. Senator Fisher took charge of the toast list, and inspiring addresses were delivered by Bros. Nicholson, Adams, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Woolner. Attendance 150.



Visited Ozias and Reba Lodges, jointly, Feb. 11th. M. W. Bro. Harcourt, G. M., was present, as were also Rt. Wor. Bro. Harry Graham, D.D.G.M. of Hamilton District, Rt. Wor. Bro. R. S. Hamilton, D.D.G.M. of Wellington District, together with Rt. Wor. Bros. G. A. Woodside P. G. C., F. Hanna, J. C. Spence, W. J. Logie, J. E. Anderson, W. B. Scace, S. F. Passmore and A. J. Young, and P. Ms. from Paris, Burford, Onondaga, St. George, and the city. The first degree was exemplified by the officers of of Ozias and Reba Lodges with musical ritual, the work being highly commended. A congratulatory telegram and roses were sent to M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone by the district on the occasion of his birthday. Some 250 were present and enjoyed the addresses and program which followed.

Visited Doric Lodge, No. 121, March 18th. (Rev.) W. G. Martin delivered a very able address in the Lodge room on "Citizenship" and Bro. (Rev.) C. F. Logan, delivered an oration on St. Patrick, in the banquet hall. Doric Lodge has the largest membership in this district and is ably looked after by the genial secretary, Rt. Wor. Bro. J. C. Spence. Some 250 brethren were present.

A Lodge of Instruction for Brant district was held on Good Friday, March 25th, under the auspices of Brant Lodge. Thirteen out of fourteen lodges in the district were represented. Burford Lodge worked the first degree, St. John's Lodge the second, and Doric Lodge, No. 121, the third. Rt. Wor. Bro. J. S. Martin, D.D.G.M., of Wilson district, assisted in the criticism of the work, as also did R. Wor. Bro. Waddell, P. D. D. G. M. of Wilson district; also P. D. D. G. Ms. Smilie, Lodge, Hanna and Ross. Bro. Wood and Lang of Reba Lodge exemplified a Board of Trial in a thorough manner. 250 visitors present.

Visited Brant Lodge April 11th, and gave a short address on the History of Free Masonry in this district from 1796 to 1860 with special allusion to the early history of Brant Lodge. I was most graciously received by Wor. Bro. Newman, the P. Ms. and officers. Many of the older members were present.

Visited St. George Lodge, No. 243, May 19th. Many of the city brethren accompanied me. The attendance

being so large and the evening so warm, a social hour was spent and addresses were given by distinguished brethren from Paris and other sister lodges. St George Lodge is flourishing, having skilled officers and a very efficient secretary in the person of Wor. Bro. McNeilly.

Visited King Solomon's Lodge, Jarvis, on May 20th. Wor. Bro. Carter and his officers exemplified the first degree in a manner to merit special comment. R. Wor. Bro. Jacques, and Wor. Bros. Parsons and Smith were present, all able exponents of principles of Free Masonry. I was accompanied by Wor. Bros. J. L. Dixon and G. U. Baird, from the city. A number of the Hagersville brethren were also present.

### NOTES

To my secretary, Wor. Bro. R. T. Stillman, very largely is due the success of having so many lodges represented at each visit.

I had the honor of visiting in the sister districts Wilson, Wellington and Hamilton and we were delighted to have R. Wor. Bro. J. S. Martin, R. S. Hamilton, and H. A. Graham return the compliment and honor us with their presence and advice.

I had the pleasure of accompanying Brant Lodge on a fraternal visit to Rehoboam lodge, Toronto, and also the honor of assisting in conferring the first degree in University Lodge, Toronto.

I was privileged to attend Lodges of Instruction at Galt and Port Dover in sister districts, and to address the brethren on the first degree.

Brant, Scotland, Paris, Ozias and Onondaga Lodges held special ladies' nights of an entertaining and instructive character.

I had occasion to call the attention of two or three lodges to so called improvement or innovation on our ancient landmark, for example, the J. W.'s lecture, lack of lesser lights at altar, etc. The lodges stated that they had seen the work put on in that manner by our city lodges, and thought to render more efficiency by copying it.

Fraternally submitted,

D. E. RUSSELL, D.D.G.M.,

Brant District No. 23.

**BRUCE DISTRICT No. 24**

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F.&A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

I herewith beg leave to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in Bruce District, No. 24.

Before so doing I desire to express my thanks to the lodges of Bruce District, No. 24, for the honor and privilege of being the representative of the Grand Master in this district and also to express my appreciation of the many kindnesses of which I have been the recipient during my entire term of office.

I was elected by the district and approved by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master in November owing to the sudden death of R. W. Bro. T. B. McBride, who, had he been spared to complete his term of office, would have, I am sure, fulfilled the duties and brought credit to himself and the district which he represented. His death was not only a great loss to his mother lodge but to the district which he represented. I am deeply indebted to Bro. J. Carlyle Moore, who retained the office of district secretary until I was prepared to take up the duties of my office and I regretted very much his resignation. I also wish to thank W. Bro. A. F. George whom I appointed as Bro. Moore's successor as secretary, for his kind assistance in district work.

I am pleased to say I have been able to visit personally all the lodges of the district. All of them are in a prosperous condition, not only in the rapidly increasing membership but also in the very creditable manner in which the officers throughout the district fill their respective positions and show a desire to merit the office by the faithful performance of their duties. On my official visits the Masters of the various lodges were present and occupied the chair and did all the work without exception. I also wish to express my thanks to the past D.D.G.Ms. of the district, who without exception have given me their kind assistance.

## VISITS

My first official visit was paid to Hanover Lodge, Hanover. The E. A. degree was conferred on a candidate by W. Bro. Gleebe and his officers in a very impressive manner. W. Bro. Staples, the secretary, is efficient and I found the books in excellent condition. This lodge is prosperous.

On February 18th. I visited Aldworth Lodge, Paisley, where I am pleased to say I found the true Masonic spirit.

W. Bro. J. A. Cumming conferred the E. A. degree and I must say I found it in every particular very impressive; particularly I feel that the J. W. is deserving of mention. The secretary, Bro. Packham, is a very active officer, well skilled in his work and the books are in first class condition. This lodge is flourishing.

March 8th was the date of my official visit to Saug-een Lodge, Walkerton. Here W. Bro. H. J. Boan and his officers exemplified splendid work in conferring the E. A. degree. The secretary, W. Bro. C. T. Boss, delivered the charge in a most impressive manner. The books are in excellent condition and the lodge is flourishing.

March 14th was the date of my official visit to Harriston Lodge, Harriston, where I found W. Bro. D. P. MacFarlane and his officers thoroughly competent in masonic work. The E. A. degree was conferred in excellent form. The secretary, W. Bro. H. J. Hucks, is a very active officer and I am sure that masonry here will attain the highest standard in the near future, judging from the master and his officers. This lodge is prosperous.

March 21st. I paid my official visit to Burns Lodge, Hepworth, where W. Bro. Brooks and his officers conferred the F. C. degree in a most creditable manner. I note here that not only the W. M. and his officers are active men but I find that the members are worthy of mention, as they all appear to be anxious to raise the masonic standard by keeping in touch with neighboring lodges. The I. P. M., Bro. D. MacBride delivered the charge in a truly masonic spirit.



March 22nd. I made my official visit to Cedar Lodge, Wiarton. This being numerically the strongest lodge in the district is exceptionally strong in masonic work. Here W. Bro. J. D. Ewing conferred the second degree letter perfect, and here the S. W. is deserving of special mention for the manner in which he fulfilled his duties. The Secretary, W. Bro. Jackson, keeps the lodge books in excellent style. I feel that this lodge is profiting greatly by the assistance and instructions of their two P. D. D. G. Ms.

This is the first lodge I have visited where the work is put on with the regular masonic music, and it is worthy of consideration by all rural lodges where the talent is available within their masonic circle.

March 23rd. I made my visit to Clifford Lodge, Clifford. Here W. Bro. C. Campbell conferred the E. A. degree. The work was well done and the lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

March 31st was the date of my official visit to St. Lawrence Lodge, Southampton. The regular officers were in their respective chairs. W. Bro. D. S. Benedict exemplified the M. M. degree in a most creditable manner and the officers filled their positions splendidly. The books of the lodge are in splendid shape and the secretary, Bro. F. Goodier, maintains the dignity of the office.

On April 4th. I officially visited Maple Leaf Lodge, Tara. I found the officers well skilled in the work. Here the deacons are particularly worthy of note, for the manner in which they do the floor work. The master, C. R. Vandusen, opened in the three degrees and closed in splendid masonic form, which left no doubt as to their ability to do the work pertaining to their offices.

April 15th. I officially visited my mother lodge, Port Elgin, Port Elgin. Owing to my having attended several meetings during the year I can say that W. M. Bro. Robertson and his officers are quite efficient and masonry here is in a most flourishing condition. I feel that owing to the activeness of the officers this will be the banner year with respect to numbers, and the applicants for admission are of the highest type of manhood in this district.



April 21st. I made my official visit to Forest Lodge, Chesly. My report of this lodge will only be a repetition of what I have already stated, as W. Bro. A. Dawson and his officers are no exception to those found in the most worthy lodges. The E. A. degree was conferred in a most creditable manner, all officers doing their respective duties with great credit. The genial secretary keeps his books in splendid form.

May 27th. I made my last official visit to Moravian Lodge, Cargill, Ont. Here W. Bro. G. F. Saunders and his officers occupied their respective chairs. No work was done other than opening in the three degrees and closing down. I might say that I met many of the officers and have seen the W. M. do much of the degree work, and do not hesitate to say that the officers of Moravian are quite competent. The secretary, R. W. Bro. W. J. Loughleen, keeps the books in a most creditable manner. He is a true and active member with a real masonic spirit and I received from him much assistance in my district duties for which I feel truly grateful.

In closing, I beg to say that I feel that masonry throughout the district is in a flourishing and prosperous condition.

Fraternally submitted,

R. C. CRAWFORD, D.D.G.M.,

Bruce District No. 24.

## GREY DISTRICT No. 25

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

It is a pleasure to report on the condition of masonry in Grey District, No. 25, for the year just closed, May I, at the outset, express my sincere thanks to the brethren for the honor they bestowed upon me in electing me as the representative of Grand Lodge, but in a special way, for the most hearty and welcome reception extended to me throughout the district upon all my official visits. Though entering upon my duties with trepidation respecting my ability to meet the work, the brethren have most generously extended to me the courtesy of that masonic charity which suffers long and still is kind, and have received me graciously as the representative of the M. W. the Grand Master.

To render the work of the district as effective as possible, and to stimulate fraternal visiting, I had the the assistance of an able District Secretary, W. Bro. T. C. Foster, who did not spare himself in faithful service, and W. Bro. Rev. W. G. Blackwell, of Dundalk, as District Chaplain, to whom also I am indebted for his most kindly assistance and inspiring addresses when he was able to accompany me.

Prosperity is sitting at the gates throughout Grey District. All the lodges are well manned without exception with earnest, faithful masters supported in most cases by competent staffs of officers. Peace reigns and, as a result, the growth has been continued from the past year, a growth in which quality has been recognized as the real life blood of our fraternity. There is no doubt that to-day we are reaping the fruitage of the care exercised in the past in the selection of candidates, and in looking to the future welfare of our fraternity the same rigid scrutiny and most careful selection must be considered and practised.

Owing to the fidelity and thoroughness of the worthy brethren who preceded me as the G. M.'s representative in this district, there is a very marked degree of uniformity in the secret work, and in this respect my duties were very light as the work was well nigh perfect.

I regret that I was unable to arrange for a lodge of instruction; geographically this district is so situated that it is almost impossible to arrange for such a lodge. Those lodges, centrally located, while possessing hearts big in fraternal hospitality, have not the accommodation to entertain such a gathering. In place of such a school, we urged a continuance of fraternal visiting as advocated by my worthy predecessor, and which is being practised so beneficially throughout the district.

One of the most striking features, characterizing the work was the desire on the part of junior officers to be master of the work of their stations and to excel in its presentation. Truly are they proving themselves worthy of the confidence of their brethren who thus honored them, in displaying those qualities that warrant further honors in craft service. The officers as a whole have grasped the significance and beauty of our ritual and especially seem to appreciate the fact that the language of masonry is too beautiful to mangle either through poor articulation, lack of expression or substitution.

To the best of my ability, as the representative of the Grand Master, I have endeavored to impress upon the members during my official visits the great duty and privileges which is ours as masons at this critical period of our country's history in proving ourselves builders, constructive, not destructive, as good citizens striving to create and cultivate in our fraternity the will and passion to be champions of every good cause which endeavors intelligently to build a better human order.

### OFFICIAL VISITS

Durham Lodge, Durham. Feb. 8th, I visited this lodge which is enjoying exceptional prosperity. The W. M., W. Bro. Morrison, with many energetic past masters to support him, and well skilled staff of officers to assist, conferred the first degree in a faultless manner. While many are seeking admission Durham is guarding well her portals and building carefully, looking to the future.

Dundalk Lodge, Dundalk. Visited Dundalk on Feb. 21st, and was received most cordially by W. Bro. Blackwell, the District Chaplain, and brethren. While the staff of officers was not complete, yet an excellent attendance was present. Although the work was a third degree, and the first time given by the present staff, the raising was impressively performed. While Dundalk brethren have some difficult problems to solve and difficulties to surmount, they are manfully facing them, and I feel confident that they have a brighter future ahead.

Hiram Lodge, Markdale. Visited this, the youngest lodge in the district, on Feb. 22nd. accompanied by the District Chaplain and was welcomed by a good attendance of Markdale brethren and visiting brethren from Dundalk and Flesherton. Hiram is doing good faithful work under W. Bro. Reburn, a well skilled master. A passing was worked most creditably. The lodge is in a very healthy condition.

Prince Arthur, Flesherton. On March 18th with the District Chaplain, visited Prince Arthur, presided over by W. Bro. Muir, a most capable master. This lodge, blessed with many energetic P. Ms., delights in perfect work, and left no room for criticism. The register shows that the average attendance of this lodge is exceptionally large. Most kindly did the brethren speak of W. Bro. Blackburn, at that time undergoing treatment in Toronto, who for many years was acting secretary, and who is looked upon as their inspiration in matters masonic. May he be spared to Prince Arthur.

Lorne, Shelburne. Unofficially, on Good Friday afternoon, visited Lorne Lodge, when in an emergent meeting a kind of local lodge of instruction was held. Very full and free discussion followed the degree work showing that Lorne are determined to have their work perfectly in every particular.

On May 6th, officially visited Lorne Lodge and was graciously received. Three firsts were well worked under W. Bro. Lee and his staff of officers. W. Bro. Blackwell gave us an excellent talk on the essentials of masonry.

Scott, Grand Valley. On April 18th, visited Scott Lodge. Attendance good. W. Bro. Glenn, with his competent staff, presented a first degree most acceptably. Scott Lodge has very fine and commodious lodge rooms, in which they delight. The lodge is prosperous and should have a bright future.

Prince Arthur, Arthur. On April 19th was welcomed by a large gathering of Arthur brethren, augmented by a number from Conestoga. The first degree was well worked by W. Bro. Blair and staff. One very pleasant feature of my visit was the banquet served by the ladies, when two hundred partook of their hospitality so bountifully outpoured. The prospects for Prince Arthur are encouraging.

St. Albans, Mount Forest. Visited this lodge on April 22nd and was greeted by a large gathering in one of the best equipped lodge rooms in the district. Under W. Bro. Lewarne, St. Albans are doing fine work and the second degree was conferred most effectively with musical ritual, the first time in visiting that I found it in use. Most faithful and energetic P. Ms. are doing their part in keeping the standard high.

North Star, Owen Sound; and St. George's, Owen Sound. At a joint meeting of these two live lodges on April 27th met the Owen Sound brethren. With an exceptionally large number of P.D.D.G.Ms. and P. Ms. to guide, truly this is a mecca of masonry in Grey District.

St. George's Lodge, under W. Bro. Carson, presented the first degree and North Star, under W. Bro. McEwen, worked the third degree. The degree work was faultlessly performed, as would be expected. The standing of the lodges of Owen Sound is too well known to require comment. These brethren are wonderful hosts and make you feel as W. Bro. Foster, District Secretary, and I feel that they are as generous and warm hearted as any who every assembled within the four walls of a masonic lodge.

Harris, Orangeville. At an emergent meeting on May 3rd, met the Orangeville brethren, who most kindly received me. The lodge, under W. Bro. Island, is doing work above criticism. Delighted to hear R. W. Bro. Irwine taking part in the work. This also is the mother



lodge of my worthy predecessor, R. W. Bro. Adams, one of the best informed masons in the district. Through his courtesy I have been the recipient of so much kindness and assistance that my duties have been most pleasant and agreeable.

Wellington, Erin. On May 19th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Adams, visited this my mother lodge, which is also the home lodge of R. W. Bro. Conboy. For years he has been the father of masonry in Wellington and seems to live, move and have his being in and around the lodge.

R. W. Bro. Adams presents the following generous report :

On the official visit of R. W. Bro. Abbott to his mother lodge, he honored me with an invitation to inspect the work and submit a report. There was a large attendance of members and visiting brethren, and the reception tendered the D.D.G.M. was an evidence of the high esteem in which he is held by the brethren of his own lodge.

The work of the evening was the passing of a well skilled candidate by W. Bro. Dearing and his officers, which was done in a dignified manner. Very seldom have I seen the work of the deacons so perfect. This lodge is officered by young men who pride themselves on the mastery of the work in which they are ably supported by efficient P.Ms. who have a keen interest in the work.

In concluding my report, I must here state that sumptuous banquets were tendered at the close of the evening sessions, where true masonic ideas were expressed in such an able manner as will long remain in my memory.

To the best of my ability have I endeavored to be a faithful representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and I shall be pleased to hand over the sacred trust given me a year ago to my successor, assuring him that he will find a right royal welcome awaiting him from every lodge in the district.

Fraternally submitted,

J. M. ABBOTT, D. D. G. M.,

Grey District, No. 25.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD ON WARRANTS

The Report of the Committee on Warrants was read by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, as follows:

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Warrants, begs me to report as follows:

We have examined the books and records of the various Lodges under dispensation, and, subject to certain conditions as regards Hullett Lodge, Londesboro, and Queen's Lodge, Kingston, recommend that warrants be issued to the following:—

Hullett Lodge, Londesboro, District No. 4, as No. 568.  
 Doric Lodge, Lakeside, District No. 6, as No. 569.  
 Dufferin Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11-B, as No. 570.  
 Antiquity Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11-B, as No. 571.  
 Mizpah Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11, as No. 572.  
 Adoniram Lodge, Niagara Falls, District No. 10, as No. 573.  
 Craig Lodge, Ailsa Craig, District No. 4, as No. 574.  
 Fidelity Lodge, Toronto District, No. 11, as No. 575.  
 Mimosa Lodge, Toronto, District, No. 11-A, as No. 576.  
 St. Clair Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11-B, as No. 577.  
 Queen's Lodge, Kingston, District No., 14, as No. 578.  
 Harmony Lodge, Windsor, District No. 1, as No. 579.  
 Acacia Lodge, London, District No. 3, as No. 580.  
 Harcourt Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11-B, as No. 581.  
 Sunnyside Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11, as No. 582.  
 Transportation Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11, as No. 583.

Hullett Lodge, Londesboro, and Queen's Lodge, Kingston, did not produce for examination their Members' Register, containing the record of initiation, passing, raising and joining of Members. We think this was only an oversight and our recommendation for issuing of Warrants to those Lodges is conditional on their producing to the Grand Secretary their Members' Register properly written up and giving all the information regarding the work of their Lodge as required by the Grand Secretary's office.

We also recommend that the dispensations granted by the M. W. the Grand Master to the following Lodges be continued for another year:—

Kaministiquia Lodge, Fort William, District No. 17.  
 Royal Edward Lodge, Kingston, District No. 14.  
 War Veterans' Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11-B.  
 Patricia Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11.

The M. W. the Grand Master has referred to your Committee petitions for dispensation to form new lodges from certain brethren resident at Capreol, in District No. 18, at Martintown, in District No. 21, and at Parham, in District No. 14, with the request that we investigate the various petitions and make a recommendation with reference thereto. We have investigated as far as possible and on the information produced before us, we recommend as follows:—

That the petition of the brethren of Capreol, in District No. 18, for a dispensation to form a lodge to be known as National Lodge, be granted. Our investigation shows that Capreol is a divisional and junction point on the Canadian National Railways, about thirty miles north of Sudbury, with a population of about two thousand; that proper quarters for a Masonic Lodge have already been provided by the Masons resident there; and that the best interests of the craft would be served in establishing a lodge at this point.

This petition has brought forcibly before the members of your Committee the necessity for a modification of Clause 186 of the Constitution relating to the jurisdiction of subordinate lodges. The Constitution provides that the jurisdiction of a lodge, except in cities, extends in every direction half way to the nearest lodge. In that great section of our Grand Lodge jurisdiction lying north of the French and Mattawa Rivers, and Lakes Huron and Superior, and stretching from the Quebec Boundary on the East to the Manitoba Boundary on the West, we have three Masonic Districts known as Algoma District, No. 17, Nipissing District No. 18, and Temiskaming District No. 22, and it is quite clear that a strict enforcement of this rule in these Districts will, in many new and growing communities, work a very great hardship. This area is traversed from East to West by our three Transcontinental Railways, and in Nipissing District the Soo Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway makes a fourth East and West Line. It is crossed from South to North by three railways—the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway, North Bay to Cochrane—the Algoma Central Railway, from Sault

Ste. Marie to Hearst—and the branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Fort William to Sioux Lookout. Along all of these lines of railway are new and growing communities, and in practically every one there are resident members of our craft and others who wish to join our fraternity. The question of jurisdiction becomes a serious matter. As an example, Foleyet, a divisional point on the Canadian National Railways, about 159 miles West of Capreol, is, under our Constitution, in the jurisdiction of Golden Beaver Lodge, situated at Timmins about sixty miles North of Foleyet, on a branch of the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway. There is no means of communication between Foleyet and Timmins (except by canoe) other than coming East on the Canadian National Railway to North Bay, about 250 miles, and then North to Timmins, on the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway, another 250 miles and passing on the way the towns of Capreol, Sudbury, North Bay, Cobalt, Haileybury, New Liskeard and Englehart. The same condition applies to many other points in these Districts. It is obvious that so far at least as the three Masonic Districts mentioned are concerned, some modification of the strict rule should be allowed, and that the lodge jurisdiction should not be in a direct line, but by the nearest and most direct line of railway communication.

Your Committee suggests that a special committee should be named to investigate and report on the question of jurisdiction in these Districts, and take such steps as may be necessary to give effect to their recommendation at the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

Should the M. W. the Grand Master be pleased to accept our recommendation that a dispensation be issued for National Lodge,

Capreol, we further recommend that Nickel Lodge, Sudbury, be given concurrent jurisdiction with National Lodge, Capreol, over all points on the Main Line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, West of Sudbury, and National Lodge, Capreol, be given concurrent jurisdiction with Golden Beaver Lodge, Timmins, and any other lodge affected, over all points on the Canadian National Railways, West of Capreol.

The Committee recommends that the petition of the brethren of Martintown, in District No. 21, for a dispensation to form a new lodge, to be known as Martintown Lodge, be granted. This petition was held up because of a fear that the establishment of a lodge at Martintown would injure Lancaster Lodge, No. 207. A letter signed by the Worshipful Master, and three Past Masters of Lancaster Lodge, recommending in the strongest possible language that the petition of the brethren resident at Martintown be granted, was produced to us, and your Committee feel that every possible objection to the new lodge has been removed, and that the dispensation can safely be issued.

Your Committee recommend that the petition of certain brethren resident at or near Parham, in District No. 14, for a dispensation to form a new lodge, to be known as General Ross lodge, be not granted. This petition came before us last year and we referred it to the District Deputy Grand Master, of District No. 14, for his investigation and report. Since then, a petition for a dispensation to form a lodge at Sharbot Lake, some ten miles from Parham, has been received by the District Deputy Grand Master and sent on to the Grand Secretary. This petition is not in proper form and can not be acted upon. Your Committee think the situation requires careful study; it is of the opinion that, if it is desirable that a dispensation be issued for a lodge in this territory, there is certainly not room for more than one lodge, and that all the petitions received by the Grand Secretary should be cancelled and a new petition in proper form, to be accompanied by the consent of the lodges whose present jurisdiction is affected and the recommendation of the District Deputy Grand Master, should be required before any further action is taken.

Your Committee desires to express their appreciation of the very excellent books and records sent for their examination by the lodges under dispensation. The records of a Masonic Lodge are of peculiar interest and value to the members initiated, passed and raised in that lodge, and too much care cannot be exercised in making that record as perfect and permanent as possible. Much, almost everything, depends on the Secretary, and the lodges whose books we examined are to be congratulated on having secured for their secretaries able and well-skilled brethren who understand how the records of a Masonic Lodge should be kept, and who take a pleasure in doing their work properly and skilfully.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. YOUNG,

Chairman.



It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, and Resolved, That the report of the Board upon Warrants be received and adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and Resolved, That a Special Committee be appointed to investigate and report upon the question of lodge jurisdiction in the districts of Algoma, No. 17, Nipissing, No. 18 and Temiskaming, No. 22 and to prepare such notices of motion as may be necessary to give effect to their recommendations at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

The M. W. The Grand Master appointed on this committee: M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Chairman; R. W. Bros. A. J. Young, J. B. Way, C. W. Haentschel, J. W. Walker, H. J. Moorhouse and R. LeHeup.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES

R. W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, Chairman of the Committee on Printing and Supplies presented the following report:

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Printing and Supplies, begs leave to report a follows:

That the contract for printing has been only temporary for the year, the conditions in the printing trade being such that no contract could be entered into, but the Committee is glad to be able to report that notwithstanding the general printers' troubles, it has been able to secure the publication of the Grand Lodge Reports in good time.

The Committee asks for power during the next year to make the best contracts possible until such time as conditions in the printing trade improve, when it will be possible to have contracts submitted for a definite term.

### ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE FOR PRINTING 1920-21.

Advance Reports, Fraternal Correspondence.	\$	108	89	
Preliminary Reports, "Times Printing Co."		189	20	
				\$ 298 09
Ballots.....	\$	23	71	
Tally sheets.....		10	20	
Ceremonies.....		134	60	
Constitutions.....		3,799	18	
				3,967 69



Letter books.....	\$ 9 00	
Cheque books.....	51 10	
Register.....	32 00	
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		92 10
Mailing covers.....		47 62
Stationery for G.M., D.G.M., G. Treas.....	164 85	
Stationery and office supplies, G. Sec'y.....	219 57	
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		384 42
Return forms, etc.....		104 46
Circulars, notices, etc.....		145 29
Proceedings, 1920.....		1,793 00
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		\$ 6,832 67

Fraternally submitted,

R. F. RICHARDSON,

Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R. W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, and Resolved, That the Report of the Board on Printing and Supplies be received and adopted.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD ON AUDIT AND FINANCE

The report of the Board on Audit and Finance was read by R. W. Bro. G. S. May, as follows:

Your committee on Audit and Finance through the Board of General Purposes have much pleasure in reporting that they have examined the books and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and find they have have been properly audited and very well kept.

### GENERAL ACCOUNT

#### Receipts

Balance in the Bank of Commerce.....	\$ 2,939 27	
Dues from the Lodges.....	119,779 00	
Interest on Investments.....	13,248 00	
Bank Interest.....	454 68	
Debentures matured and paid.....	13,172 13	
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		\$ 149,593 08

#### Expenditures

General Expenses.....	\$ 29,726 44	
Benevolent Grants.....	60,200 00	
Debentures purchased.....	49,800 92	
Balance in the Bank of Commerce.....	9,865 72	
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		\$ 149,593 08

## SEMI-CENTENNIAL

## Receipts

Bank of Commerce.....	\$	1,811	19	
Interest on Investments.....		5,013	24	
Paid by lodges.....			74	00
Interest from Bank.....			79	62
Debentures Matured.....		1,535	07	
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	\$		8,513	12

## Expenditures

Debentures Purchased.....	\$	850	13	
Benevolent Grants.....		6,297	50	
Cash in the Bank of Commerce.....		1,265	49	
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	\$		8,513	12

The General Funds invested amount to \$254,801.09, being an increase over last year's returns of \$36,885.05.

Nearly all of the funds of Grand Lodge in the General Account have been invested in securities as per Grand Treasurer's report.

The returns to Grand Lodge are yearly increasing. It is again recommended that the Benevolent Grants be increased to the full extent of Clause No. 245 of the Constitution, governing the receipts from Lodges.

The Bonds for the Grand Secretary, the Assistant to the Grand Secretary, and Miss Place, for \$5,000.00 each, have been placed before the Committee for inspection. They are all in the U. S. Fidelity Co.

The Bonds are in the custody of the Grand Treasurer. We recommend that the Grand Master and Deputy Master be authorized to place the same on maturity in a Canadian or British Company.

Your Committee have considered the expenses incurred by the Grand Master and have much pleasure in recommending that the sum of \$500 additional be granted to the Grand Master for his term of office (1920-21).

Your Committee have had placed before them a letter from the Grand Secretary, asking for an increase in the salary of his Chief assistant. Your Committee recommend that V. W. Bro. Attig be granted \$1,000.00, making his salary \$3,000.00.

Regarding the letter to the Grand Secretary which was read to the Board of General Purposes from St. John's Lodge, No. 20, G.R.C., asking permission to circularize the Craft Lodges in the western part of the province for grants to the Children's Memorial Hospital, this Committee recommends that the Grand Secretary be instructed to inform St. John's Lodge, No. 20, that Grand Lodge has no control over the legal disposal of the funds of individual Lodges.

## ESTIMATES

## Receipts

Fees—Registrations of Initiations.....\$	25,000 00	
Fees—Registration of Affiliations.....	400 00	
Dues.....	85,000 00	
Constitutions and Ceremonies.....	4,000 00	
Certificates.....	100 00	
Dispensations.....	800 00	
Commutations of Dues.....	3,500 00	
Warrants.....	200 00	
Miscellaneous.....	700 00	
Interest on Investments.....	13,000 00	
Musical Ritual.....	100 00	
Interest on Semi-Centennial.....	4,900 00	
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## Expenditures

Salary, Grand Secretary.....\$	5,000 00	
Grand Treasurer (Clerk).....	300 00	
Salary, Grand Auditor.....	600 00	
Salary, Office Staff.....	5,700 00	
Printing and Stationery.....	7,500 00	
Special Printing.....	2,500 00	
Incidental Expenses, Grand Secretary's Office.....	1,200 00	
Certificates and Warrants.....	1,300 00	
Insurance.....	140 00	
Safety Deposit Rental.....	40 00	
Rent of Office and Heating.....	1,000 00	
Telephone.....	100 00	
Postage on Proceedings.....	200 00	
Expenses of Grand Lodge.....	4,000 00	
Expenses of Commissions.....	150 00	
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1,200 00	
Allowance, Grand Master.....	1,200 00	
Stenographer, Grand Master.....	100 00	
Postage, Deputy Grand Master and Chairmen of Committees.....	60 00	
Masonic Relief Association.....	550 00	
Deputy Grand Master.....	250 00	
Chairman of Fraternal Correspondence....	250 00	
Miscellaneous.....	300 00	
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Benevolent Grants.....		82,535 00
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		116,175 00
Estimated Balance.. .....	\$	21,525 00
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		\$ 137,700 00

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. S. MAY,

Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R. W. Bro. G. S. May, and Resolved, That the Report of the Board on Audit and Finance be received and adopted.

### CALLED OFF

Grand Lodge was called from labor at 1 o'clock, p.m., to meet again at 2.30 p.m.

### CALLED ON

Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2.30 p.m., the Grand Master on the Throne.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE

R. W. Bro. Thomas Rowe, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, presented the following report:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Benevolence, begs leave to report as follows:

Since the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, with the approval of the M. W. the Grand Master, and the President of the Board of General Purposes, has made interim grants to applicants amounting to \$2,300.00 from the General Fund, and the sum of \$1,760.00 from the surplus interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund.

Additional grants have been made from the interest on the investment of the Semi-Centennial Fund, amounting to \$3,350.00.

533 applications were received and disposed of as follows:—

264 granted through local Boards, amounting to.....\$ 37,700 00

267 granted through Lodges, amounting to..... 37,050 00

2 applications were declined.

Special grants authorized by Grand Lodge:—

Miss Mary Wilson.....\$ 300 00

Miss M. H. Harris..... 75 00

375 00

Total amount of grants from the General Fund.....\$ 75,125 00

Total amount of Interim Grants from the G. Fund. 2,300 00

Additional Grants from the interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund..... 1,760 00

Grants recommended from the interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund at this Annual Communication 3,350 00

Total.....\$ 82,535 00

The grants made by the Lodges during the year, as shown by the reports of the D.D.G.Ms., amount to about \$30,000.00.

In accordance with the provision of Rule 7 on Benevolence, cheques for grants made through the following local Boards of Relief and the Lodges will be withheld until proper returns have been received by the Grand Secretary, showing disposal of last year's grants, namely:—

15, St. George's, St. Catharines; 17, St. John's, Cobourg; 18, Prince Edward, Picton; 56, Victoria, Sarnia; 87, Markham Union, Markham; 91, Colborne, Colborne; 96, Corinthian, Barrie; 114, Hope, Port Hope; 154, Irving, Lucan; 168, Merritt, Welland; 170, Britannia, Seaforth; 322, Marmora, Marmora; 229, Ionic, Brampton; 242, Macoy, Mallorytown; 300, Mt. Olivet, Thorndale; 327, Hammond, Wardsville; 344, Merrill, Dorchester; 391, Howard, Ridgetwon; 411, Rodney, Rodney; 423, Strong, Sundridge; 424, Doric, Pickering; 444, Nitetis, Creemore; 486, Silver, Cobalt.

We would call special attention to the fact that lodges No's. 56, 87, 154, 170, 229, 242 and 411 were delinquents last year, and we would recommend that the D.D.G.M. take the omission in hand with the Master and Secretary in each case.

In considering numerous applications it was found that there were many applicants who apparently should come within the scope of the Mother's Pension Fund, and it is hereby recommended that the D.D.G.Ms. be directed to consult the W. Ms. of the Lodges making application, to see that wherever an applicant is eligible her case is not neglected

Your Committee would recommend that the sum of \$100 be passed to each of the Local Boards of Relief of London and Peterboro to assist in defraying expenses incidental to the sickness and death of Widow Kifner and Brother Edward Toker.

Your committee recommend that in the case of default by any lodge in the performance of its duty in cases of benevolence, such lodge should stand suspended from all right of representation in Grand Lodge while such default continues and that such changes as may be necessary so to provide be recommended to be made in the Constitution.

Your Committee further recommend that upon the approval of the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, relief may be granted, notwithstanding default of any Lodge, or Officer thereof, to report thereon, or to make application for benevolence, and that such changes in the Constitution, as may be necessary to effect such action shall be made therein.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Benevolence, recommends that the subscription to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada be continued.

Your Committee, while in session, were delighted to pass a congratulatory resolution to our esteemed veteran inspector Rt. Wor. Bro. Jas. B. Nixon. Bro. Nixon celebrated his seventy-fourth birthday while we were considering the numerous cases under his



inspection and the further facts were brought out that he is attending his fiftieth Communication of Grand Lodge, has served in the capacity of Inspector for twenty-nine years and has been of very great assistance to your Committee. The widows and aged brethren know of the benevolences of Grand Lodge through the kind visits of Bro. Nixon, whose experience and genial courteous disposition make him a welcome brother, friend and advisor and the members of the Committee join in wishing him long life, prosperity and continued service on behalf of the Craft.

Your Board, through the Committee on Benevolence, recommend that the report of the inspector of Benevolent Grants be printed as an appendix to this report.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS ROWE,  
Chairman.

## APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE

F. W. Harcourt, Esq.,

Grand Master.

Dear Sir and M. W. Bro:—

I herewith present my report for the year 1920.

There were 506 applications referred to the Committee, 248 from Local Board and 258 from private lodges.

The 248 applications from Local Boards were disposed of as follows:—

One widow received a grant for \$20.00, 1 for \$30.00, 3 for \$40.00 each, 12 for \$50.00 each, 8 for \$60.00 each, 13 for \$80.00 each, 79 for \$100.00 each, 1 for \$120.00, 35 for \$150.00 each, 20 for \$200.00 each, 7 for \$250.00 each, 3 were reduced from \$100.00 to \$50.00 each, 1 was reduced from \$200.00 to \$100.00. 13 were rejected, 1 got married and 2 died. 1 Brother received a grant for \$50. 1 for \$80. 3 for \$100. each, 8 for \$150., 5 for \$200. each, 4 for \$250. each, 8 or \$300. each, 3 for \$400. each and 2 were rejected. One Orphan received a grant for \$40. 1 for \$60. 1 for \$80. 2 for \$100. each, 4 for \$150. each and 2 for \$200. each. 1 sister received a grant for \$60. and 1 for \$150.

The 258 applications from private Lodges were disposed of as follows:

1 widow received a grant for \$30. 2 for \$40. each, 5 for \$50. each, 18 for \$60. each, 29 for \$80. each, 59 for \$100. each, 1 for \$120. 30 for \$150. each, 10 for \$200. each, 7 for \$250. each, 1 reduced from \$150. to \$75. 1 reduced from \$100. to \$50. 17 rejected, 2 died and 4 got married. 1 Brother received a grant for \$40. 1 for \$50. 2 for \$60. each, 8 for \$100. each, 10 for \$150. each, 7 for \$200. each,

10 for \$250. each, 2 for \$300. each, 5 for \$400 each. 1 reduced from \$150. to \$75. 4 rejected and 2 died. 1 orphan received a grant for \$60. 1 for \$80., 5 for \$100. each and 4 for \$150. each. 2 wives received grants for \$100. 1 for \$250. and 2 were rejected. 1 Mother received a grant for \$100. and one sister for \$80.

387 applications were made for widows of whom 348 received grants, 30 were rejected, 5 got married and 4 died.

88 applications were made for brethren of whom 80 received grants, 6 were rejected and 2 died.

22 applications were made for orphans all of whom received grants.

5 wives, 3 sisters and 1 mother received grants.

In addition to the above grants were made from the Semi-Centennial fund as follows:—

3 widows received \$20. each, 20 received \$40. each, and 31 received \$50. each, 14 brethren received \$50. each, 4 received \$100. each, and 2 received \$150. each, 2 daughters received \$20. each, 1 wife received \$50. and 1 sister \$40.

The applications include 136 who are over 70 years of age, 50 are from 70 to 75, 32 from 75 to 80, 33 from 80 to 85, 14 from 85 to 90 and 7 are over 90.

No less a sum than \$70,000 has been disbursed by Grand Lodge in relieving the necessities of the widow, the orphan and the distressed brother.

At the meeting of Grand Lodge held in 1919 the maximum amount which the Committee was authorized to grant in any one case was greatly increased and as a result 44 widows and 18 brethren have received much larger amounts than have hitherto been granted. In many of these cases the grant from Grand Lodge is all they have to depend upon. In cases that were peculiarly distressing the Committee has been able to make an additional grant from the Semi-Centennial fund which was much appreciated.

This year the Committee ordered a general investigation to be made and a report in detail to be prepared upon every application. A report in detail has been filed in the office of the Grand Secretary.

In my visits to the various parts of the jurisdiction I have received the co-operation and assistance of the brethren whenever I have called upon them and I desire to express my great appreciation of the kindness and courtesy extended to me on all occasions.

Yours fraternally,

J. B. NIXON,

Inspector of Benevolent Grants.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R. W. Bro. T. Rowe, and Resolved, That the report of the Board on Benevolence be received and adopted.

### REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, presented the report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the petition of the three lodges in Peterborough to be transferred from Victoria District No. 20 to Ontario District No. 12, and the petition of the thirteen lodges of Hamilton to be allowed to have concurrent jurisdiction with Buchanan lodge, No. 550, which is outside the city limits. The committee reported as follows:

With reference to the petition of the three Peterboro lodges for removal from Victoria District to Ontario District, the committee begs to report that without an opportunity of consulting with the several districts which would without doubt be affected by the contemplated change it recommends that the application be left with the committee to report at the next meeting of Grand Lodge and that it have power to consult with such brethren and lodges as it may consider advisable. The committee thinks that the equalization as nearly as possible of the lodges in the several districts should not be overlooked.

With reference to the petition of the various lodges meeting within the municipal limits of the City of Hamilton and Buchanan lodge, No. 550, located outside of the southern boundary of the city limits for concurrent jurisdiction, the committee recommends that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, so that all lodges of the City of Hamilton and Buchanan lodge be granted concurrent jurisdiction in and over the territory now respectively enjoyed by all of them. The committee would also take the liberty in this connection of bringing to the notice of Grand Lodge the views of prominent brethren of the Hamilton district to the effect that action should be taken as early as possible towards a re-distribution or re-arrangement of the district.

Further, your Committee would recommend that on account of the receipt of applications from several of the lodges throughout Ontario for removal from one district to another and of applications for the creation

of new districts by reason of the great number of lodges which have been added to our roll since the last re-distribution of districts some twelve years ago, Grand Lodge consider the advisability of appointing a committee to re-arrange and create districts within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

E. T. MALONE,

Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and Resolved, That the report of the Special Committee be received and adopted.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, and Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider the whole question of the re-arrangement and re-distribution of districts, to report at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, such committee to consist of M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Chairman; M. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, and R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan with power to add to their numbers.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD

R. W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, Chairman of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead, then read the following report:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on the Fraternal Dead begs to report as follows:

The framers of our ritual were not unmindful of the necessity of bringing before us in a most impressive manner the solemn fact that go where we may, do what we will, the grave awaits us all. Fortunately Providence has not endowed us with the gift of foretelling when our hour will strike and we go on our way, buoyed up with the hope, too frequently bordering on a conviction, that by some special dispensation our thread of life is to be drawn out to the extreme limit and will terminate in a happy and peaceful old age. We fondly cherish the belief that for us the evil days will not come and too often when they are at hand

"We the pain of death would hourly die,  
Rather than die at once."



It is well therefore for ourselves while we are met together to review the work of the past year and lay our plans for the future that we should be reminded that for some of us that future is well nigh spent. In what way could that end be more appropriately attained than by devoting a small portion of our time in a kindly remembrance of those of our brethren who have crossed the Great Divide since we last met? All memorial ceremonies are tinged with sadness. We may have cheering assurances that their era of pain and sorrow is ended and that they are in a happier state. We may know that it was their wish that we grieve not for them, yet each parting has its pang. We cannot look upon the empty chair without a longing to see the familiar face, to feel the grasp of the outstretched hand and once more renew the fellowship that united us so closely.

The words, "Our Fraternal Dead," were most happily chosen to designate this particular part of the proceedings of our annual convention. There is in them a suggestion of that intuitive consciousness of the immortality of the soul; that bond of brotherly love that reaches out beyond the grave, and refuses to recognize it as the end. When we look into that grave we know our friend is not there. It is not the respect we entertain for that cold piece of clay that makes us sad. It was but the earthly casket containing that precious jewel that we called "ours", and when that pulse did cease to beat that which we called "ours" did not cease to be. That something that we loved, call it what you will, we love it still. We cannot conceive that it has ceased to be, for it is still "ours," united to us in bonds of brotherly love; "our fraternal dead." Not only do we find it beyond our power to think that the spirit of our brother has ceased to be, but what one of us would want to believe that such would be his own fate?

"Why shrinks the soul  
Back on herself and startles at destruction?  
'Tis the Divinity that stirs within us;  
'Tis heaven itself that points out an hereafter,  
And intimates eternity to man.

While our chief concern should be that we prepare for that hereafter, yet we cannot view with indifference the record we shall leave behind us here. Who can bear the thought that he will soon be forgotten by those with whom he mingled here on earth, those who called him friend and brother? How comforting the thought that when you are gone your name will long be honored and your goodness acknowledged? What thought is more hideous than the fear that with the closing of your earthly career your name will pass into oblivion unhonored and unsung and none so poor to do you reverence?

If then it was the wish of our fraternal dead, as I believe it was, that we do pay some tribute of respect to their memory can it be said that we, at this annual convention, do our full duty in this regard? One member alone reads a report to a more or less attentive but sometimes listless audience. We may underrate the effect of the annual report of this committee but we do feel that one of our most important duties as a Grand Lodge is to show the greatest honor and respect to the memory of Our Fraternal Dead. If a



member, standing high in the ranks of Grand Lodge, one who perhaps for years has by his wise counsel and untiring energy, rendered signal service to the craft, if such an one has passed away since our last meeting, is it enough that the event, so far as this annual convention is concerned, should be allowed to pass with no further ceremony than a passing reference in this report or at most a short panegyric from the committee on our Fraternal Dead? Would it not be wise to give up a few minutes of the hours spent at this convention, not in fulsome praise or exaggerated laudation of "Our Fraternal Dead" but in a solemn service in which their names are tenderly and reverently brought before us and much more effectively than by the means adopted now? Your committee is not advocating the doing away with the report of this committee but respectively suggests that it might be supplemented by a short and impressive ceremony in which all present could participate.

He enters on dangerous ground who suggests any innovations or changes in the ancient land-marks but one of the first impressions upon the mind of the new delegate to Grand Lodge is the absence of the moral lessons, invocations and frequent references to our duty towards our Creator to which he is accustomed in the ceremonies of the subordinate lodges. Is this just as it should be? Can we be reminded too often of the aims and objects of our craft? If it is for the good of masonry that these lessons should be kept constantly before our eyes in the subordinate lodges why should it not be equally beneficial to give them some place or, perhaps more properly speaking, a more important place in the ceremonies of Grand Lodge? What more appropriate place could be found for incorporating in our proceedings a practical demonstration of the grandest truth of masonry than under this order of business?

Three years ago the present Deputy Grand Master as Chairman of the committee on the Condition of Masonry in a beautiful and inspiring address touched upon our duty to those of our brethren who were serving in the Great War and suggested that they be remembered in our regular convocations and called our attention to an appropriate ceremony that had been adopted in Australia. It opened as all masonic ceremonies do with an invocation to the Giver of all good gifts and feeling reference was made to all members who had joined His Majesty's Over-seas Forces and particularly to those who had made the Supreme Sacrifice. His suggestion was, with the approval of the Grand Master, acted upon in one district at least. The brief ceremony adopted was favorably received by all who heard it and many were the expressions of regret that it had not been introduced sooner.

The greatest fundamental principle of our craft is brotherly love. Respect for that principle brought this committee into existence. It is our love for Our Fraternal Dead that moves us to ask for a report each year from this committee and many excellent and eloquent reports have been represented. No matter how rich the jewel it cannot be seen to advantage unless mounted in a proper setting. So we submit that the report upon Our Fraternal Dead can neither be presented nor received in the proper spirit, with that reverence and solemnity that should accompany it unless it be introduced with an appropriate ceremonial in which every member

present may feel that he is taking a part. That is the secret of the impressiveness of our burial ceremony—every member present participates in it. If we are true to the principles that we profess to practise, there is no part of the work of Grand Lodge to which we should all devote ourselves with greater earnestness than this the only opportunity many of us have of paying our last tribute of respect to our departed brethren.

If Grand Lodge approves the principle of having the report of this committee presented in a more fitting manner the preparation of a brief memorial service is a very simple matter. A place in the ceremony can be found for such personal references to the members of Grand Lodge who, since the last meeting, have joined "Our Fraternal Dead" as have usually been included in the report of this committee. The only real change recommended is a formal ceremonial setting for the reception of this report in addition to or instead of the usual introductory remarks. As no such ceremony has yet been approved it remains only to follow the usual custom and bring to your notice the names of those who have met with us here for the last time.

We have not sustained many losses among those who have taken prominent parts in the deliberations of Grand Lodge but the toll levied upon the strong men upon whose shoulders rested the burden of upholding the honour of the craft in their respective spheres has been heavy indeed. We have them in every lodge, men who are always ready with wise counsel and helping hand and when they are gone, it often seems that their places cannot be filled, but in many, in fact in most instances, their work lives after them, their goodly example and influence have not been lost but inspire others to step into the breach and maintain the standard set by them. We can only single out for extended reference those few from the long list whose official positions brought them prominently before Grand Lodge. The mere mention of the other names inscribed this year upon our roll of honour will awaken in the breasts of many present sweet memories of faithful service and pleasant companionship.

#### **M. W. Brother Isaac Henry Stearns**

No record of Our Fraternal Dead would be complete without a passing reference to the death of one of the most distinguished of Canadian Masons though not of our Grand Lodge,—M. W. Brother Isaac Henry Stearns. For over sixty years he was a faithful exponent of the principles of the craft and an honored and respected member of Montreal Kilwinning Lodge and for forty-two consecutive years was Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Quebec except during the years 1889-90 when he was Grand Master.

He was honored by being elected to the highest position in the gift of nearly every branch of Masonry in his native province and an unsullied reputation for business integrity, public spirit and varied philanthropic activities is the best evidence that these honors were not unworthily bestowed.

#### **R. W. Bro. James S. Dewar, P.D.D.G.M.**

Another esteemed and venerable Brother, R. W. Brother James S. Dewar, P.D.D.G.M., a life member of Ashlar Lodge, Toronto,

passed away on the 14th of October, 1920, at the age of 85 years. He was made a mason in 1865 and for more than half a century was a consistent and devoted member of the craft. His attachment to the order grew stronger as he advanced in years. Such a life devoted to Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth affords a satisfactory and conclusive answer to the question "Is it worth while being a mason?" For over 55 years, through all the varied conditions of an active business life he never failed to bear testimony that he was a better man for having been a mason and we in return can truthfully assert that masonry is richer for having had such a faithful exponent of its tenets.

**R. W. Bro. Robert Pye, P.D.D.G.M.**

R. W. Bro. Robert Pye of Tecumseh Lodge, 245, was that type of mason of whom we have too few. For sixteen years he was secretary of his mother Lodge and demonstrated what a zealous and untiring secretary can do by the application of strict business methods in the management of the affairs of the lodge. He was honored by being elected D.D.G.M. of Erie District No. 1A., and proved to be an enthusiastic and efficient officer. He died on April 14th, 1921.

**V. W. Bro. James Gilbert Cane, P.G. J.W.**

In the death of V. W. Bro. James Gilbert Cane of Zeta Lodge, No. 410, which occurred on the 6th of February, 1921, the city of Toronto lost one of its best and most public spirited citizens. From early manhood he took an active part in military matters. He was wounded in the Northwest Rebellion and was awarded a medal for his distinguished services in that campaign. Following in his footsteps three of his sons served in the Great War. His popularity in business circles was shown by his election in 1915 to the presidency of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada.

**R. W. Bro. George Milton Peebles, P.D.D.G.M.**

R. W. Bro. Peebles of Colborne Lodge, No. 91, who died on the 14th April, 1921, was an all round good man in every sense of the term. No matter where you sought him, in his home, in the social circle, in business, in the lodge or in public or philanthropic activities he could always be relied upon to prove faithful to the task assigned him.

**R. W. Bro. Dr. H. S. Griffin, P.D.D.G.M.**

R. W. Bro. Dr. H. S. Griffin was initiated in Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene, and seven years later affiliated with Barton Lodge, No. 6, Hamilton. He was elected District Deputy Grand Master of the Hamilton District, No. 8, in 1908, and at the time of his death was Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada. In the death of R. W. Bro. Griffin masonry in Ontario loses a wise and able counsellor and one of its most ardent supporters. He died June 28th, 1921.

**R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully, P.D.D.G.M.**

The name of R. W. Bro. Scully has been intimately associated with three Toronto lodges. He was initiated in Alpha Lodge,

No. 384, and was in turn W. M. of Shamrock Lodge, No. 553, and Mt. Sinai Lodge, No. 522. In 1911 he was elected D.D.G.M. of Toronto District, No. 11. He filled all three positions with marked ability. He passed away on June 25th, 1921. His death was deeply lamented by a large circle of Masonic friends.

**R. W. Bro. Wm. N. Shaver, P.G. S.W.**

Georgina Lodge, 343, mourns the loss of another devoted member who never lost an opportunity to demonstrate the fact that a Masonic lodge is distinctly a social organization. In and out of the lodge R. W. Bro. Wm. N. Shaver was ever ready to render any service within his power and to speak a cheering word to his brethren in Masonry with the result that he was universally regarded as the true friend of all members of the craft. The brighter side of life appealed to him and through his kindly influence many a brother has been enabled to bear his burden in life more lightly. He died in April, 1921.

**R. W. Bro. Henry T. White, P.G.S. W.**

On the 2nd of May last Georgina Lodge, No. 343, lost in the person of R. W. Bro. Henry T. White a member who was in the words of one who knew him intimately "a man of affable nature and of a distinctly Masonic character." He was always ready to join heart and soul in every undertaking that would further the interests of his mother lodge. His business integrity and practical and sympathetic goodwill won for him the love and respect of all with whom he was brought in contact.

**R. W. Bro. T. B. McBride, D.D.G.M.**

At the last meeting of Grand Lodge Bro. T. B. McBride of Port Elgin Lodge, No. 429, was elected District Deputy Grand Master of Bruce District, No. 24. He was peculiarly adapted for the position and gave promise of being a most efficient officer. He had but entered upon the duties of his office and was planning his official visits when he was stricken down in the full vigor of his manhood. He died on the 21st day of October, 1920. Sincere expressions of love and sympathy from all parts of the district showed the esteem in which he was held by those who had chosen him as their leader.

The following brethren, well known to many of you, have also answered the last great summons,—

John Hooper, P.G.D. of C., Hamilton, Died Sept. 8, 1920.

L. K. Cameron, P.G.R., Toronto, Died Oct. 1, 1920.

E. C. Davies, P.G.R., Toronto, Died Nov. 27, 1920.

J. G. Constable, P.G. Pur., St. Marys, Died July 30, 1920.

James Muir, P.G. Std., Binbrook, Died Aug. 27, 1920.

Alfred Miers, P.G. Std., Windsor, Died Oct., 29, 1920.

James McLachlan, P.G.S.W., Owen Sound.

W. J. McAllister, P.G.St.B., Hamilton.

Joseph White, P.D.D.G.M., Died May 24th, 1921.

C. F. Farewell, P.D.D.G.M., S. Ste. Marie, Died April 2, 1921.

W. W. Rutherford, P.D.D.G.M., Aylmer, Died April 4, 1921.

Wm. Allen Young, P.G.S.D., Toronto, Died Jan. 26, 1921.



John B. Wallace, P.G. Swd. B., Died May 6, 1921.

Robert Hoover, P.D.D.G.M., Died Feb. 3, 1921.

Fraternally submitted,

W. S. HERRINGTON, Chairman

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, and Resolved, That the Report of the Board on the Fraternal Dead be received and adopted.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope, Chairman, of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, presented the following report:

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, feel a peculiar satisfaction at being able to announce, after a careful perusal of the reports of the several District Deputy Grand Masters, that the condition of Masonry throughout our jurisdiction is healthy, vigorous and virile. The increase in membership has been large—exceeded only by last year's abnormal growth—harmony prevails, and the interest in Craft Masonry displayed throughout our fair Province has been characterised by such enthusiasm and earnestness as to merit the commendation of Grand Lodge.

Your Board at the outset, wishes to express its approval and satisfaction at the improvement in the punctuality of the District Deputy Grand Masters in the presentation of their reports to the Grand Secretary. Our constitution requires that these reports be in the hands of the Grand Secretary fourteen days previous to the meeting of Grand Lodge. Of the twenty-eight reports, twenty-two were received within the time limit, which is a marked improvement over last year. As your Committee obtains a great part of its information for this report from the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters, it is essential that the material should be in our hands at as early a date as possible. On the date of writing, July 12th, four reports have not been received. It is a work of days to peruse carefully twenty-eight reports and



select the salient points from each. We hope that incoming Deputies will keep this fact in mind during the coming year in order that the work of the Committee may be facilitated.

Of the reports received, nothing but praise can be given. All are uniformly good, and prove beyond question that these faithful representatives of our Grand Master have achieved a marvellous amount of work in their various districts during their term of office. We have only one criticism to offer. Some of the reports might be improved by leaving out the non-essentials, and shortened without detracting from the excellence of the material contained therein. This criticism is not given in a censorious spirit, but as a suggestion which we think might be advantageously adopted in the future in the compilation of reports.

One D.D.G.M. reports that cases of the secrecy of the ballot being violated have been brought to his attention. In the opinion of your Board it would be advisable that each Master on entering his term of office, should carefully caution his brethren regarding this all too prevalent breach of Masonic discipline. Severe reprimands do not in some cases seem to be sufficient. Suspension for an indefinite period might have a beneficial effect on these thoughtless brethren.

It is gratifying to note in many reports that Past Masters everywhere are always ready to lend assistance and share in the activities of the Lodge-room. Masonry is magnetic or these brethren who have borne the burden and heat of the day would not sacrifice their time and talents, after the highest honour that the Lodge can bestow on them has been relinquished. All honour to these veterans who are ready and willing to labour in the Masonic vineyards.

The number of visits, official and unofficial, paid by the D.D.G.Ms. is worthy of note. Every Lodge in the jurisdiction has been visited, many of them twice. At least two District Deputies report having made over fifty visits during their term of office. Fourteen lodges of instruction were held in the various districts, and in one district the Deputy reports that three of his Lodges might be termed "model lodges" in connection with the exemplification of the work.

Attention is called to the matter of ventilation of lodge rooms. This is a matter that has been almost without exception neglected. A hot, vitiated atmosphere is not conducive to comfort or regular attendance of the brethren. Many lodges are improving their premises and the proper ventilation of the place of meeting is a matter which should not be overlooked at this time.

Your Board regrets that two lodges have suffered from fire during the year. Permit us to repeat the caution of last year that lodges should carry adequate insurance on their buildings and furniture. In this connection, one D.D.G.M. properly suggests that Worshipful Masters make an inventory of lodge equipment and furniture, eliminating what is valueless and incorrect and replacing it with what is in accordance with our rites and ceremonies.

We are prone to place too little emphasis on the educational and instructional advantages of the study of Masonry. What a wealth of words a study of the ritual adds to the vocabulary of the ordinary man! The memorization and rendition of the ritual is of great educational value to the individual and is of immeasurable benefit to public speaking as it inspires a confidence in one's ability to think while standing before an audience. A Mason cannot commit to memory our beautiful lectures without deriving a moral benefit therefrom. It is suggested that Worshipful Masters drill their subordinate officers in the technique of degree work in order that they may acquire accuracy, precision, and confidence. Well-skilled Past Masters are usually available for assistance in instructional work. Your Board is pleased to note that there is a great increase in the number of lectures delivered by prominent Masons at the regular meetings. Many of the reports mention this and one District Deputy has delivered a series of lectures on Masonic topics on his official visits. We question the advisability however, of permitting addresses on purely secular subjects in a masonic lodge room.

Fraternal visits, of which there have been many, mastery of the constitution by the Worshipful Master, the careful posting of candidates up to and including the third degree, the establishment of Masonic libraries have been recommended. These subjects are all worthy of

consideration and are placed before you for your approval and action.

Your commends to Grand Lodge for serious consideration a paragraph from the report of a District Deputy regarding the abnormal amount of degree work that some lodges have been called upon to perform. It reads as follows;

"The great number of initiations and the work involved, somewhat hampers carrying out instruction and research ideas. Where officers are compelled to meet four or five times a month to take care of applicants alone, enthusiasm is severely strained. Just what remedy can be found to relieve the 'degree factory' situation obtaining in many lodges rests with Grand Lodge. Whether group initiation under certain restrictions with a limited number of candidates would serve to relieve the burden of lodge work, and result in more dignified rendering and added impression; whether a longer time should elapse between conferring degrees, whether new lodges should be formed as soon as established ones reach, say 400, and legislation be passed prohibiting exceeding that number; whether fees be raised or whatever plan be adopted, should come as a result of mature thought, but certain it seems that some relief should be found where work is excessive and Masonry suffering thereby. No matter how enthusiastic officers may be they must naturally become weary in well-doing with excessive grind in degree work."

By the courtesy of the Grand Secretary and his staff, we have found that there are in our jurisdiction forty-one lodges with a membership of over 400 and that seventeen of these have over 500 members. Would not the aims and purposes of Masonry be better served if new lodges were formed among the membership of these large Masonic bodies? Would it not act as an incentive to greater activity among the younger members if an opportunity were afforded them to assume office in an organization that was the offspring of their Mother lodge? Many a clever and capable young man who would be ready and willing to accept office, is relegated to the side benches for all time on account of not being chosen from the great number of members available for office. There

is more genuine fellowship and fraternal feeling in the lodges where limited numbers make it possible to become acquainted with all our fellows. This state of congestion is found principally in the large cities. Masonry in some of these centres is suffering from a disease which, for want of a better term, we shall designate as "growing pains." One lodge under dispensation initiated seventy-five candidates in six months. Another lodge met at two-thirty and worked continuously until midnight in order to keep up with the degree work which was heaped upon it. May we take the liberty of suggesting that more Masonic efficiency and potency would obtain if the city of Toronto had a hundred lodges instead of about forty and Hamilton twenty-five instead of fourteen. Your Board wishes to suggest that the time is at hand when another re-distribution of districts should take place. The number of lodges is ever increasing. There are now five hundred with nineteen under dispensation. Several of the D.D. G.Ms. are overworked. It is an onerous task to supervise the work and pay official visits to twenty-seven lodges. The districts of Hamilton, Toronto and Ottawa should be re-distributed so that the work of these officials may be lightened.

The number of members now under our jurisdiction approximates 88,000, and our increase during the year is 7,000. This numerical growth is very pleasing, and shows that Masonry is a real vital force in our midst. We are led to believe from the information at our disposal that the portals are being well guarded, and that only men of wisdom, intelligence and exemplary character are being allowed the privileges of Masonry.

Your Board wishes to call the attention of Grand Lodge to our financial affairs. A tidal wave of material prosperity has overwhelmed us. Our income is apparently greater than our requirements. In 1918, the year we raised the capitation tax to one dollar per member, our investments amounted to \$230,000. In 1919, the amount had increased to \$287,000, in 1920 to \$326,000 and to-day we have the enormous sum of \$357,000 invested in first-class securities, and increase in three years of \$127,000. But, brethren, is it not advisable to pause a moment, and to consider whither we are drifting? Is it a wise policy to store up these vast reserves for future



generations of Masons to dispose of as they see fit? There is one of two courses to pursue, either to reduce our capitation tax to meet our present requirements or to extend our benevolence into wider channels. This year our Benevolent Committee dispensed the sum of \$66,500, the largest in our history, and still we have a favourable balance of \$31,000. The Mother Grand Lodge of England, with a membership three times as large as our own, dispensed for benevolent purposes the sum of \$1,500,000 last year. This included the support and sustenance of two large orphanages, which are the pride of all English Masons and the admiration of all visitors to these institutions. Twenty-eight of the Grand jurisdictions in the United States are supporting homes for aged Masons who are no longer able to cope with the difficulties of life. There are also orphanages where the helpless children of our deceased brethren are being cared for and trained in the habits of industry, truthfulness and honesty, and in fact in all those moral qualities and virtues which will fit them for positions of usefulness in the years that are to be. There can be no greater, nobler, sweeter charity or a more splendid explication of the teachings of our fraternity.

In conclusion, dare we lift the curtain and take but a glance into the dim, distant future? Are we, as Masons doing our share towards the re-adjustment of social and industrial affairs after the trying years through which we have recently passed? Canada, as well as the rest of the world, is passing through a stage of what is loosely called re-construction, but which is really one of transition and re-adjustment. We are beginning to realise that peace is not in a proclamation or on a parchment but in the hearts and souls of men. There can be no peace on earth except among men of good-will. We must have a set and resolute purpose to seek the good of others, other men, other classes, other nations. We must cultivate a spirit of mutual service and fellowship, of unity and good-will. There has been too much of the emphasizing of class differences, too much criticism of each other and too little desire to understand each other. Man has been trying to raise a superstructure on the sands of discontent, distrust and discord. The world to-day needs a change of heart and the spirit of optimism. Let common sense take the place of hysteria and co-operation and con-



cession the place of sullen refusal in the settlement of disputes. Let us practise, preach and teach the principles which our beloved order promulgates, brotherly love, respects for the rights and feelings of others, and let us carry a message of cheer and encouragement to all men in all ranks of life. Then, and then only, will we be doing our duty as Masons, and Masonry can stand in the future as in the past, four-square to every wind that blows.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. J. DROPE,

Chairman.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

R. W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, Chairman of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, read the following report:

**(1) Osiris Lodge No. 489, Smith's Falls, v. J. T. Edwards.**

The facts of this case are set out in the 1920 proceedings at page 270. Bro. Edwards is now under suspension, and was duly notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft. He has not appeared. The Committee therefore recommend that he be expelled.

**(2) Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa, v. Charles S. Stanley.**

This case also came up at the last meeting of Grand Lodge, and the facts are reported at page 270 of the 1920 proceedings. Bro. Stanley is now under suspension, and was notified to appear at this meeting and show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft. He has not appeared. The Committee therefore recommend that he be expelled.

**(3) Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa, v. Frederick B. Henshall.**

This case also came up last year, and the facts are reported at page 271 of the 1920 proceedings. Bro. Henshall is now under suspension, and was notified to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft. He has not appeared. The Committee therefore recommend that he be expelled.

**(4) Beaver Lodge No. 83, Strathroy, v. John J. Smith.**

The facts of this case are set out in the 1920 proceedings at page 271. Bro. Smith is now under suspension, and pursuant to the direction given at the last meeting of Grand Lodge, he was

summoned to appear at this meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft. He has not appeared. The Committee therefore recommend that he be expelled.

**(5) Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton, v. William J. Griffith.**

This Bro. was convicted of theft at Hamilton in November last, and was allowed out on suspended sentence. He was subsequently placed on trial by the Lodge, found guilty, suspended and recommended for expulsion. The Committee recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft, and that in the meantime the suspension be continued.

**(6) Zeta Lodge No. 410, Toronto, v. Burnett Brodziak.**

This Bro. was convicted of theft at Toronto in November last, and was sentenced to four and a half years in the Kingston Penitentiary. He was subsequently placed on trial by the Lodge, found guilty, suspended and recommended for expulsion. The Committee recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft, and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

**(7) Mount Zion Lodge No. 28, Kemptville.**

The semi-annual returns of this Lodge show that they were guilty of a violation of Section 204 of Constitution by initiating Thomas Fraser on the 28th of May and passing him to the 2nd degree on the 24th of June. The Grand Secretary reports that he has written to the Lodge on three occasions for payment of the fee of \$20.00 imposed by the Constitution in such cases, but that he has had no reply. The Committee wish again to point out that Grand Lodge has repeatedly ruled that the provisions of Section 204 of the Constitution must be strictly adhered to, and the Grand Secretary has therefore no alternative but to enforce the usual penalty.

**(8) Harmony Lodge No. 370, Delta.**

This Lodge failed to make its returns for the half-year ending in December. Formal notice was sent from the Grand Secretary's office to Bro. H. E. Johnson, Secretary of the Lodge, and to the Worshipful Master, on the 1st and 21st of March, calling their attention to the oversight, and at least two letters were written by the Grand Secretary to the Master of the Lodge in reference to the matter. Bro. Johnson replied on the 28th of March that Harmony Lodge were in the habit of making their returns once a year only, namely in June, and that he would make his returns in June of this year and could not make them before. He was then notified, on the 31st of March and on the 14th of April, that if the returns were not made forthwith he would be suspended. He paid no attention to either of these letters. The M. W. Grand Master then suspended him from the office of Secretary of the Lodge. The Constitution makes it imperative on the Lodges to

make their returns semi-annually. Bro. Johnson should have been familiar with the Section, but whether he was or not, there was no excuse for his failure to make his returns after his attention was directed to the matter by the Grand Secretary. The Committee feel, therefore, that under the circumstances the M. W. Grand Master had no other course open to him but to suspend Bro. Johnson from his office. They are advised, however, that Bro. Johnson has since made the return asked for, and, with the approval of the M.W. the Grand Master, they recommend that the suspension be now removed.

**(9) Blackwood Lodge No. 311, Woodbridge, re Life Membership**

This is an application by Blackwood Lodge to commute the Grand Lodge dues of five life members by paying the old fee of \$5.00 instead of the increased fee of \$12.00 which was brought into effect at the last meeting of Grand Lodge. The Secretary bases his application on the fact that four of these members became life members of Blackwood Lodge prior to the increase in the fee, and the fifth became a life member after the fee was increased but before the Secretary had knowledge of it, each of them paying in the sum of \$5.00 to cover the Grand Lodge fee. No application was made to commute the dues of these members until the Lodge made its semi-annual returns in December last, and the Grand Secretary refused to make the commutation except on payment of the increased fee. The right to commute Grand Lodge fees of life members arises under Section 215 of the Constitution. This Section provides in effect that for each life member the Lodge may pay into Grand Lodge a certain sum which shall exempt it from all further dues on behalf of such member. The Section leaves it optional with the Lodge to commute the dues of its life members or not as it sees fit, and the Grand Secretary was perfectly right in his ruling that he could only make the commutation on payment of the fee in force at the time the application came to him. When these brethren became life members, the Secretary of the Lodge had already made his midsummer returns, and he apparently had the impression that there was no necessity of doing anything in connection with the matter of the Grand Lodge dues until he made his next returns in December. In this he was mistaken, but as he acted in perfect good faith the Committee recommend that in the case of those Brethren who prior to the date of the increase had actually paid to Blackwood Lodge the Grand Lodge fee, commutation be allowed at the rate of \$5.00 each. As to the others, the increased fee must be paid.

**(10) Victory Lodge No. 547, Toronto, re Life Membership.**

This Lodge made its semi-annual returns in June of 1920, showing a number of life members whose dues were to be commuted, but the return was not accompanied by the usual cheque. The Secretary of the Lodge evidently assumed that when the return had been checked over in the Grand Secretary's office, he would receive a memorandum showing the amount payable, and he would then forward a cheque to cover it. Owing to the pressure of work in the Grand Secretary's office in connection with the approaching

meeting of Grand Lodge, the return was not actually dealt with until after Grand Lodge had met, and in the meantime the life membership fee had been increased from \$5.00 to \$12.00, and the Grand Secretary did not feel justified in allowing the Lodge to commute the dues of its life members except on payment of the increased fee. The Committee are of the opinion that the Lodge should be allowed to commute the dues of its life members on payment of the fee in force at the time the return was actually made to the Grand Secretary. This return was in itself an application to have these dues commuted, and was practically an authorization to the Grand Secretary to debit the Lodge with whatever amount was necessary for that purpose, and if necessary to draw on it for that amount. Had the Grand Secretary been able to deal with the return when it was received, there is no reason to suppose that the amount would not have been paid prior to the meeting of Grand Lodge. The Committee therefore recommend that this Lodge be allowed to commute the Grand Lodge dues of the life members included in this return on payment of the dues in force at the time the return was made. They wish it to be clearly understood, however, that they are not approving of the practice followed by the Lodge Secretary in this matter, and that a great deal of trouble could be avoided if the provisions of the Constitution were strictly adhered to.

(11) **Palestine Lodge No. 559, Toronto, re Life Membership**

This is an application by Palestine Lodge of Toronto to have the members included in its return for June 1920 registered as life members in Grand Lodge, and their dues commuted. Palestine Lodge received its dispensation in 1919, but did not receive its Warrant until July, 1920. By a resolution passed by the Lodge immediately after it was instituted, the fees fixed for initiation and affiliation were to include life membership. The Grand Secretary on receiving the return refused to record the members of the Lodge as life members in Grand Lodge on the ground that a Lodge under dispensation has no power to create life memberships, and Palestine Lodge has appealed from this ruling. Section 215 of the Constitution provides that Lodges may by By-law admit their members to life membership, and makes it quite clear that the power of making life members can only be exercised by by-law. Palestine Lodge had no by-laws at that time, and could have none. Section 113 of the Constitution provides that a Lodge under dispensation shall possess "no powers or privileges other than those conferred by its dispensation," and these do not include the power to pass by-laws. The Committee are therefore of the opinion that the Grand Secretary was right in his ruling, and that the appeal of the Lodge must be disallowed.

(12) **Myrtle Lodge No. 337, Port Robinson, v. Hugh C. Park.**

This Bro. is charged with making defamatory statements reflecting on the character of his wife, a brother Mason and certain other persons. The charge was laid by Bro. Harold Grisdale of Clifton Lodge No. 254, in Myrtle Lodge, was accepted by the latter Lodge, and a Commission was appointed to take the evidence. This Commission made a most thorough investigation of the whole matter, and the evidence collected by them was submitted



to Myrtle Lodge on December 7th last, at a special meeting duly called to consider it. The Lodge found the accused not guilty. The Complainant has appealed from that finding, the main ground of his appeal being that the verdict was contrary to the weight of evidence. As a general rule the Committee will not disturb the finding of a Lodge where there is evidence to support that finding, and it is perfectly clear from the evidence in this case that the Lodge had a reason for its verdict. It is difficult to see what useful purpose the Complainant hoped to serve by commencing these proceedings. It was a family affair, and the statements complained of, if made, were only made to a limited number of people who knew the circumstances and were not likely to be influenced by them. The Committee feel that the whole matter might better have been left to the healing influence of time, and recommend that Grand Lodge do not entertain the appeal. In this connection, the Committee wish to call attention to the ruling made last year, that a private Lodge cannot try a complaint unless made by a Master Mason who is a member of the Lodge.

(13)        **Rosetown Lodge of Saskatchewan v. Aldworth**  
              **Lodge No. 235, Paisley.**

This matter came up last year and is fully reported at page 273 of the 1920 proceedings. It is a complaint by Rosetown Lodge of Saskatchewan of an invasion of jurisdiction by Aldworth Lodge through the initiation of one J. B. McArthur in January, 1920. Briefly, the facts as given to the Committee were that McArthur, who was unmarried and whose parents lived at Paisley, took up a homestead in Saskatchewan in 1911 and remained there until 1917 when he leased his farm for four years, enlisted and went overseas, having previously sent his personal effects to the home of his parents. He returned from France to Paisley in May, 1919, paid a short visit to his farm in the West, returned to Paisley and remained there until March of 1920. He was initiated at Paisley in January of that year. On this state of facts, last year's Committee found that the effect of McArthur's sending his personal effects to Paisley when he went overseas was to change his residence to that place, and therefore at the time of his initiation he was within the jurisdiction of Paisley Lodge, and the Saskatchewan Lodge had no ground for complaint. The M.W. the Grand Master has requested that the matter be reconsidered and this Committee consent thereto. As, however, there seems to be some uncertainty as to the facts they recommend that the M. W. the Grand Master take up with the Grand Master of Saskatchewan the matter of appointing a Commission to consist of one representative from each Grand Lodge, they to appoint a third to enquire into and report fully upon the facts of the case, and that the further consideration of the matter be postponed until after the receipt of such report.

(14)        **Belmont Lodge No. 190, Belmont, v. Bancroft**  
              **Lodge No. 482, Bancroft**

Belmont Lodge complains that Bancroft Lodge invaded their jurisdiction in initiating William F. Tamlyn. The evidence before the Committee consisted of correspondence between the two



lodges concerned and the Grand Secretary's office, and the statement of Bro. Morrison of Bancroft Lodge. From this it appears that Bro. Tamlyn carries on a lumber business at Bessmer, a small town about twelve miles from Bancroft, and within the jurisdiction of Bancroft Lodge; but that his home is in Belmont and that his wife and family reside there. It is also stated that he does all his business through the bank at Belmont. If this is a correct statement of facts, it would appear as if there has been an invasion of jurisdiction. The evidence before the Committee is rather vague and in arriving at this conclusion they do so without prejudice to the rights of Bancroft Lodge to have the matter reopened in case the facts as to residence are otherwise than as stated.

(15) **St. John's Lodge No. 40, Hamilton, W. Bro.  
Booker v. W. Bro. Lumsden.**

W. Bro. Booker laid a charge of making defamatory statements against W. Bro. Paul E. Lumsden in St. John's Lodge No. 40, Hamilton. The Lodge declined to accept it. He then went to Ionic Lodge, of which W. Bro. Lumsden is the Ruling Master, but they were debarred from receiving it by the Constitution. He next applied to Corinthian Lodge No. 513, and they also refused to act. He has now appealed to the M. W. the Grand Master, who has referred it to this Committee. The reason for the refusal of St. John's Lodge to deal with the matter does not appear. W. Bro. Booker is surely entitled to have his charges investigated, and it is probably in the interest of both parties that they should be disposed of. At the same time, the Committee do not see that they have any power in the matter. If one or other of the Lodges cannot be induced to deal with it, the remedy seems to lie with the M. W. the Grand Master.

(16) **Parkdale Lodge No. 510, Toronto.**

This Lodge was summoned to appear before the Committee on a charge of having initiated a candidate within twelve months after he had been rejected in another lodge. W. Bro. Buchanan, Secretary of the Lodge, appeared and stated that they received the application in the usual way and made the usual investigations. He sent notice of the application to the Masonic Bureau, but has no recollection of ever having received from them any notice of previous rejection nor has he been able to find any trace of such notice among the Lodge papers, although the Secretary of the Bureau says it was sent. There is no doubt that Parkdale Lodge acted in good faith and that no blame is to be attached to the Secretary and the Committee recommend that no further action be taken in the matter. If there was any laxity, it was on the part of the proposer and the investigating committee, and this committee desire to call attention to the supreme importance not only of investigating every candidate but of seeing to it that when he signs an application he is thoroughly familiar with its contents.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN A. ROWLAND,

Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, and resolved, That the report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS.

M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and Laws, presented their report, as follows:

We have a very interesting letter from a Past Master of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16, Toronto, stating, shortly, that its 100th Anniversary will be celebrated in September or October, 1922, and asking permission for their Officers and Members after next year to have the jewels of the officers made of gold or gold plated, while the aprons of the officers have the ornamentations and edgings or fringe in gold, and the trimmings of the Master Masons' aprons also be finished in gold.

The Board feels obliged to say that Section 262 of the Constitution, page 91, of its 1920 issue, seems to make it obligatory that such ornamentation, jewels, etc., be made of silver, and therefore must recommend the rejection of the said request and only because of the above prohibition.

The Board feel it reasonable that a lodge, owing to its great age, or some other distinctive outstanding features of its activities during its existence, might reasonably be entitled to a special marking of such features, not only as a portion of their own history to its own members for the future, but as an incentive to other lodges in the jurisdiction to aim at some such distinctive activity.

The history of St. Andrews' Lodge, No. 16, as stated in said letter of request is educative to a large degree, masonically, as well as in other walks of life, and Grand Lodge might readily allow an amendment of Section 262 to cover this particular case and other like cases, subject to Section 45 of the Constitution.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. H. BURRITT,  
Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, and resolved, That the report of the Board on Constitution and Laws be received and adopted.

## CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS.

In accordance with the decision of Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, the consideration of the motion then presented by M. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope was resumed, and M. W. Bro. Wardrope again stated his

motion, seconded by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, that article 1 of the Constitution be amended by striking therefrom the words "of Canada", and making the article to read as follows: "The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in the Province of Ontario, etc.," and that the preamble be amended by striking therefrom the words "of Canada."

After discussion, the motion was declared lost.

### **CALLED OFF.**

Grand Lodge was then called from labor at 6.30 p.m., to meet again at 9.30 a.m., Thursday, July 21st, 1921.

### **SECOND DAY.**

Thursday, July 21st, 1921, Grand Lodge resumed labor at 9.30 o'clock a.m., the Grand Master on the Throne.

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.**

M. W. Bro. Sir John M. Gibson, read the report of the Special Committee on the Address of the Grand Master, as follows:

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Special Committee to whom was referred the address of the M. W. the Grand Master, beg to submit the following reply:

The historical references contained in the preliminary paragraphs of the address inspired by the fact of our meeting at this time in the Capital City of the Dominion are alike appropriate and extremely interesting, and it is a matter from which the brethren will feel no slight satisfaction that Ottawa is not only a city of superb beauty but that the craft in this part of our jurisdiction have so well maintained a reputation for thoroughness and progressiveness.

We recognize the difficulties referred to by the Grand Master, in the withholding of relief to widows and children under the circumstances referred to by him and we are inclined to sympathize with his views as to some measure of discretion being allowed so that widows and children of Masons may not be absolutely shut out from relief by reasons over which they have not the slightest control.

While the rapid progress being made in the number of new lodges being instituted and in the general increase in membership are subjects of congratulation, the Committee consider as timely and well founded the Grand Master's apprehension that, "abnormal growth" may be followed by subsequent indifference; and the committee desire to impress upon Grand Lodge the importance of carefully guarding the portals, avoiding admission of new members in droves, and observing a constant care and regard for the quality rather than the quantity of membership.

The fact that returns have been made from every Lodge in the jurisdiction from June to December 1920 is the subject of a surprisingly agreeable announcement and reflects credit in the highest degree on the Grand Secretary, without whose tactful and persistent efforts such a result with the almost total collection of balances shown by such returns would have been beyond expectation.

We concur in the Grand Master's suggestion that a special committee should be appointed to consider carefully the nature of the organization known as The Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm or "the Grotto" with power to take such action as may be thought necessary or advisable. At the present time there appears to be a tendency towards the ingenious creation of new bodies or organizations and great care must be observed in the matter of anything like Masonic recognition thereof.

The committee feel that Grand Lodge will welcome the announcement that the Masonic Library of the late M. W. Bro. John Ross Robertson has been made available to brethren, having been arranged in shelves in the Yonge St. Temple.

Grand Lodge must express its appreciation of the time spent and sacrifices made by the Grand Master during his term of office in visitations made to the subordinate bodies. The amount of travelling involved in the useful visits to lodges throughout the northern portion of the Province must have entailed very great effort on his part and justifies a very special acknowledgment on the part of Grand Lodge.

Our Grand Master's visits in a general way have been most welcome and pleasurable experiences to the lodges having the good fortune to receive him.

The Committee must express the view, that in the matter of a pending application of "Coloured Masons" of Ontario to the Provincial Secretary of Ontario for a Charter of incorporation, no such application should be granted. This Grand Lodge is the only recognized or recognizable Masonic authority of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons within this Province. Our constitution makes no distinction as to colour and to assert to the legal incorporation of a second Masonic Grand Lodge within our jurisdiction would in the opinion of the committee land to most undesirable and unfortunate consequences.

The Committee very heartily concur in the Grand Master's suggestion that the Honorary Degree of Past Grand Registrar be conferred on W. Bro. Sir George McLaren Brown, Representative of



the Canadian Pacific Railway in England and a Past Master of Canada Lodge in London.

The committee also concur in the Grand Master's recommendation that the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on R. W. Bro. Robert C. Crawford who under dispensation satisfactorily performed the duties of that position after the death of R. W. Bro. J. B. McBride, who had been elected for Bruce District No. 24, at the last annual Communication of Grand Lodge. It is also recommended that the deceased Brother be placed in our records as having the same rank of P.D.D.G.M.

We cannot conclude this report without expressing our admiration and appreciation in a general way of the report of the Grand Master—showing as it does evidence of great ability, versatility and exceptionally strong common sense. Such a deliverance not only reflects great credit on the author but will prove to the Masonic world that this Grand Lodge can find within its ranks officers of whom any Grand Lodge might reasonably feel fortunate in placing in their hands the administration of its business and affairs.

Fraternally submitted,

J. M. GIBSON,  
Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by Sir John M. Gibson, and resolved, That the report of the Special Committee on the Grand Master's Address be received and adopted.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and resolved, That the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred upon R. W. Bro. Thomas B. McBride and Robert C. Crawford.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and resolved, That the rank of Past Grand Registrar be conferred upon R. W. Bro. Sir George McLaren Brown for eminent services rendered to Canada and Canadians, and especially to the Craft of Canada.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, seconded by M. W. Bro. White, and resolved, That a Committee consisting of M. W. Bros. W. H. Wardrope, A. T. Freed, R. W. Bros. W. M. Logan, Geo. Moore and P. A. Sommerville be appointed to report at the next Annual Communication upon an organization known as the "Grotto", referred to in the Grand Master's address.



It was moved by the Grand Treasurer, seconded by the Grand Secretary, and resolved, That this Grand Lodge continue its membership in the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

The Grand Master presented to Grand Lodge a compilation of rulings of Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, when it was moved by M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, and resolved, That the compilation of rulings prepared by the Committee be printed for distribution to the members of this Grand Lodge.

### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The following brethren having been regularly nominated by the Past Masters and representatives of Lodges at the respective meetings of the various districts, were duly confirmed in their office by the M. W. the Grand Master:

No.	District	D.D.G.M.	P. O. Address
1.....	Erie.....	John Davidson.....	Chatham
1a.....	Erie.....	James A. Ryckman.....	St. Thomas
2.....	St. Clair.....	Wm. R. Dawson.....	Inwood
3.....	London.....	Wm. C. Moore.....	Belmont
4.....	South Huron.....	Isaac Hetherington.....	Sheppardton
5.....	North Huron.....	Thomas Blackmore.....	Listowel
6.....	Wilson.....	Raymond B. Hutt.....	Ingersoll
7.....	Wellington.....	Harry C. Edgar.....	Preston
8.....	Hamilton.....	Charles E. Kelly.....	Hamilton
9.....	Georgian.....	Manuel Keller.....	Midland
10.....	Niagara.....	J. C. Lymburner.....	Niagara Falls
11.....	Toronto West.....	R. B. Dargavel.....	Toronto
11a.....	Toronto East.....	George L. Gardiner.....	Toronto
11b.....	Toronto Centre.....	John H. Dunlop.....	Richmond Hill
12.....	Ontario.....	James T. George.....	Port Hope
13.....	Prince Edward.....	Milton K. Adams.....	Picton
14.....	Frontenac.....	Philip H. Burke.....	Kingston
15.....	St. Lawrence.....	John A. Fleming.....	Prescott
16.....	Ottawa.....	M. R. MacFarlane.....	Almonte
17.....	Algoma.....	John W. Walker.....	Fort Frances
18.....	Nipissing.....	H. J. Moorehouse.....	Sault St. Marie
19.....	Muskoka.....	Truman J. Williams.....	Powassan
20.....	Victoria.....	Albert E. Bottum.....	Bobcaygeon
21.....	Eastern.....	D. A. McNaughton.....	Finch
22.....	Temiscaming.....	Robt. LeHeup.....	Haileybury
23.....	Brant.....	James McNeilly.....	St. George
24.....	Bruce.....	Patrick J. Scott.....	Southampton
25.....	Grey.....	John F. Grant.....	Durham

The District Deputy Grand Masters elect were then duly installed and invested by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, with the exception of R. W. Bro. Isaac Hetherington of South Huron District, No. 4., who was subsequently installed by R. W. Bro. H. C. Dunlop.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of Officers was then proceeded with and the following scrutineers of the ballot were duly sworn in by the M. W. the Grand Master:

W. Bros. W. H. Davis, (Chairman), H. R. Clark, J. W. Will, J. F. Mercer, H. Graham, S. N. Sinclair, J. H. MacKenzie, J. E. Riddell, W. H. McNavin, A. G. Bain, D. P. Bateman, E. R. Eastman, Thomas Saunders, J. Parrington, H. W. Wilson, John Lockhart, J. R. Hill, R. Ingram, G. A. Kingston, W. E. Struthers, G. B. Crumb, G. C. Kirkby, F. Warren, W. W. Lurcott, S. Laip Kelly, H. L. Cheney, Robert Reid, Alton Parks, J. A. Macdonald, R. D. Gibson, Harry Lumey, G. Fairley, J. F. Roelofson, Joseph Broadbent, M. McClure, H. Corke, L. G. Work, F. H. Nairn, B. Cairns, T. Forsyth, E. J. Repath.

### REPORT OF THE ELECTION.

W. Bro. W. H. Davis, Chairman, of the Committee of Scrutineers, presented the following report of the names of brethren elected to the various elective offices and to the Board of General Purposes and also of the place selected for the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge:

Grand Master, M. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, K. C., Belleville.  
 Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope, Grimsby.  
 Grand Senior Warden, R. W. Bro. D. A. Esdale, Ottawa.  
 Grand Junior Warden, R. W. Bro. M. P. McMaster, Windsor.  
 Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. A. J. Bruce, Fort William.  
 Grand Treasurer, M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, K. C., Toronto.  
 Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Hamilton.  
 Grand Registrar, R. W. Bro. J. A. Orr, Sudbury.

### BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

R. W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, Strathroy.  
 R. W. Bro. A. Cowan, Barrie.  
 R. W. Bro. J. F. Reid, Windsor.  
 R. W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, Toronto.  
 R. W. Bro. T. Shanks, Ottawa.

### NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

The Cities of Port Arthur and Fort William were elected to be the next place of meeting.

## OFFICERS INSTALLED AND INVESTED.

M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, P.G.M., installed and invested the newly elected officers who were proclaimed and saluted with the grand honors.

## APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

The M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to appoint the following brethren members of the Board of General Purposes, for a term of two years:

R. W. Bro. Geo. S. May, Ottawa.  
 R. W. Bro. J. B. Way, Sault St. Marie.  
 R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore, Hamilton.  
 R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Smith, Toronto.  
 R. W. Bro. Edward B. Brown, Toronto.

## APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Grand Senior Deacon, V. W. Bro. W. H. Davis, Hamilton.  
 Grand Junior Deacon, V. W. Bro. W. H. Best, Toronto.  
 Grand Supt. of Works, V. W. Bro. A. McGie, Belleville.  
 Grand Director of Ceremonies, V. W. Bro. W. J. Wadsworth, Toronto.  
 Assistant Grand Secretary, V. W. Bro. E. Daubney, Ottawa.  
 Asst. Grand Dir. of Ceremonies, V. W. Bro. J. R. Thompson, Windsor.  
 Grand Sword Bearer, V. W. Bro. Geo. Brown, Mimico.  
 Grand Organist, V. W. Bro. C. S. Scott, Ottawa.  
 Grand Pursuivant, V. W. Bro. D. J. Donaldson, Strathroy.

## GRAND STEWARDS

V. W. Bro. T. Murphy, Toronto.  
 V. W. Bro. H. Eyre, Delta.  
 V. W. Bro. C. Elliott, Port Credit.  
 V. W. Bro. G. Sprentall, Trenton.  
 V. W. Bro. W. H. Wright, Toronto.  
 V. W. Bro. W. R. Woollatt, Windsor.  
 V. W. Bro. J. A. Prout, Bothwell.  
 V. W. Bro. J. F. Newton, Sarnia.  
 V. W. Bro. R. Syme, London.  
 V. W. Bro. A. B. Gilbey, Parkhill.  
 V. W. Bro. A. Barbour, Lucknow.  
 V. W. Bro. J. G. Patterson, Port Dover.  
 V. W. Bro. J. F. Roelfson, Galt.  
 V. W. Bro. S. M. Sinclair, Burlington.  
 V. W. Bro. J. T. Foster, Elmvale.  
 V. W. Bro. N. D. Graham, Wallaceburg.  
 V. W. Bro. J. A. Kift, Cannington.  
 V. W. Bro. J. T. Orr, Toronto.  
 V. W. Bro. W. J. Bragg, Bowmanville.  
 V. W. Bro. M. Robinson, Bath.  
 V. W. Bro. A. H. McKee, Ottawa.

V. W. Bro. J. A. Underhill, Fort William.  
 V. W. Bro. A. D. Meldrum, Sudbury.  
 V. W. Bro. W. G. Gerhart, Huntsville.  
 V. W. Bro. C. W. Burgoyne, Fenelon Falls.  
 V. W. Bro. D. Fink, Iroquois.  
 V. W. Bro. A. D. Campbell, Cobalt.  
 V. W. Bro. R. T. Stillman, Brantford.  
 V. W. Bro. H. O. Bell, Southampton.  
 V. W. Bro. D. Barragar, Belleville.  
 V. W. Bro. J. L. Culbert, Ottawa.  
 V. W. Bro. T. C. Foster, Erin.

### GRAND STANDARD BEARERS

V. W. Bro. G. Dulmage, Belleville.  
 V. W. Bro. W. G. Price, Port Credit.

and by open vote of Grand Lodge:

### THE GRAND TYLER

W. Bro. T. J. C. Rodden, Port Arthur.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. W. R. White, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and resolved, That a committee be appointed to secure a suitable testimonial to the retiring Grand Master, M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt.

The M. W. the Grand Master appointed upon this committee M. W. Bros. E. T. Malone, Sir John M. Gibson, R. W. Bros. Geo. H. Smith and E. B. Brown.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. W. R. White, seconded by R. W. Bro. John S. Martin and resolved, That this Grand Lodge assist in erecting a fitting monument at the grave of M. W. Bro. William Mercer Wilson, first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and that a committee be appointed to take this matter in hand.

The M. W. the Grand Master appointed as this Committee M. W. Bros. W. R. White, F. W. Harcourt, Sir John M. Gibson, Hon. W. D. McPherson, R. W. Bros. E. B. Brown, R. B. Hutt, J. S. Martin and V. W. Bro. Frank Reid.

### VOTES OF THANKS.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. Shaw, and resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the Committee on Credentials and to the Scrutineers of the ballot for their valuable and efficient service.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge is hereby extended to the Mayor of Ottawa and to the Citizens and members of the local lodges for the excellent accommodation, kind attention and pleasing entertainment given to the members of Grand Lodge at this communication.

The Grand Chaplain then invoked the blessing of the G. A. O. T. U. upon the members of this Grand Lodge during the coming recess.

### GRAND LODGE CLOSED.

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, it was closed in ample form at four o'clock p.m.



Grand Secretary.



## RETURNS OF LODGES AS

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The names of the W. M. and Secretary

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
2	aNiagara	Niagara	M. Slingerland	Arthur J. Wood
3	aAnct. St. John's	Kingston	P. G. C. Campbell	A. W. Cathcart
5	aSussex	Brockville	Percy E. Bilby	T. H. Guest
6	Barton	Hamilton	D. A. Wilson	W. H. F. Whateley
7	Union	Grimsby	Jas. I. Theal	S. B. Bradley
9	aUnion	Napanee	R. H. D. McGreer	W. J. Shannon
10	aNorfolk	Simcoe	A. J. Peachey	L. F. Aiken
11	aMoir	Belleville	F. W. Frost	John Newton
14	aTrue Britons	Perth	M. G. Hicks	F. V. Buffam
15	St. George's	St. Catharines	Chas. W. Karn	A. N. Lindsay
16	aSt. Andrew's	Toronto	H. R. McDonald	J. A. Keachie
17	St. John's	Cobourg	Benj. Ewing	Robt. Buck
18	aPrince Edward	Pictou	W. E. Vick	R. H. Hubbs
20	aSt. John's	London	B. B. Hookway	Rich. Booth
21a	aSt. John's	Vankleek Hill	Arch. D. McRae	John Hartley
22	aKing Solomon's	Toronto	John M. Laing	Donald McKay
23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	A. R. Metcalfe	A. L. Phipps
24	aSt. Francis	Smith's Falls	C. G. Jones	G. W. Fluker
25	aIonic	Toronto	P. E. Boyd	F. W. Scott
26	aOntario	Port Hope	F. H. Briden	J. H. Magill
27	aStrict Observance	Hamilton	W. C. Herald	W. H. Linton
28	aMount Zion	Kemptville	R. A. Patterson	S. H. Guest
29	aUnited	Brighton	G. S. Langdon	B. C. H. Becker
30	aComposite	Whitby	Wm. M. Jermyn	J. W. Bateman
31	aJerusalem	Bowmanville	T. A. Dustan	J. S. Moorcraft
32	aAmity	Dunnville	W. T. Robb	John Clark
33	aMaitland	Goderich	Wm. J. McNevin	J. B. McKay
34	aThistle	Amherstburg	S. E. M. Taylor	P. G. French
35	St. John's	Cayuga	Jas. E. Skeele	Jas. A. Hoshal
37	aKing Hiram	Ingersoll	H. F. Bower	McD. Wallace
38	aTrent	Trenton	F. N. Alyea	W. J. Potts
39	aMount Zion	Brooklin	T. R. Price	John J. Moore
40	aSt. John's	Hamilton	A. B. Hopkins	B. L. Simpson
41	aSt. George's	Kingsville	Gordon P. Fox	Wm. G. Long
42	aSt. George's	London	C. W. Heaman	A. Ellis
43	King Solomon's	Woodstock	T. A. Love	A. W. Massie
44	aSt. Thomas	St. Thomas	John H. Stewart	F. W. Judd
45	Brant	Brantford	D. H. Coates	Geo. Whitwill
46	aWellington	Chatham	John A. McCallum	John A. McGregor
47	aGreat Western	Windsor	F. R. Vollans	John Fry
48	aMadoc	Madoc	Grant Fraser	Alex. S. Cochran
50	aConsecon	Consecon	W. W. Locie	W. W. Ward
52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	G. C. Morrison	H. W. Jackson
54	aVaughan	Maple	Rev. S. R. Robinson	J. T. Pollock
55	aMerrickville	Merrickville	Harry B. Kidd	J. E. Angus
56	aVictoria	Sarnia	Wm. J. Bentley	H. W. Unsworth
57	aHarmony	Binbrook	Thos. H. Gowland	Jas. D. Rose
58	aDoric	Ottawa	E. L. Taylor	J. A. Ross
61	aAcacia	Hamilton	Chas. R. Brown	C. E. Kelly
62	aSt. Andrew's	Caledonia	Michael Brown	John Thompson
63	aSt. John's	Carleton Place	J. A. McEwen	D. H. McIntosh
64	aKilwinning	London	John T. May	Whit. Lancaster
65	aRehoboam	Toronto	A. H. Franks	Geo. H. Mitchell
66	aDurham	Newcastle	F. W. Fligg	Rev. S. G. McCormick
68	aSt. John's	Ingersoll	Geo. A. C. Herdman	P. L. Smith
69	Stirling	Stirling	Roscoe Vanderwater	C. F. Linn
72	Alma	Galt	W. W. McDougall	A. J. Oliver
73	aSt. James	St. Mary's	W. L. Laidlaw	N. L. Brandon
74	aSt. James	S. Augusta	A. D. Bennett	F. L. Bissell



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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
75	St. John's.....	Toronto.....	R. R. Davis.....	T. H. Fitzpatrick.....
76	Oxford.....	Woodstock.....	John G. Dunlop.....	J. W. Dutton.....
77	aFaithful Brethren.....	Lindsay.....	Louis Wickett.....	R. G. Corneil.....
78	aKing Hiram.....	Tillsonburg.....	N. A. Dorland.....	H. McQueen.....
79	aSimcoe.....	Bradford.....	L. J. McConkey.....	F. Kilkenny.....
81	aSt. John's.....	Mount Brydges.....	G. E. Longfield.....	S. W. Hyatt.....
82	St. John's.....	Paris.....	W. Prine.....	H. Lester.....
83	aBeaver.....	Strathroy.....	R. W. Bogue.....	R. F. Richardson.....
84	Clinton.....	Clinton.....	A. F. Cudmore.....	H. B. Chant.....
85	aRising Sun.....	Athens.....	W. A. Johnson.....	A. W. Parish.....
86	aWilson.....	Toronto.....	David S. Williams.....	Wm. A. Little.....
87	Markham Union.....	Markham.....	C. W. Hellemis.....	J. S. Bell.....
88	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	Geo. A. Bothwell.....	John M. Campbell.....
90	aManito.....	Collingwood.....	W. T. Toner.....	W. T. Herrington.....
91	aColborne.....	Colborne.....	C. A. Yule.....	B. J. Walker.....
92	aCatawaqui.....	Kingston.....	F. J. Wilson.....	H. A. Graham.....
93	aNorthern Light.....	Kincardine.....	E. E. Bruce.....	M. J. McPherson.....
94	aSt. Mark's.....	Port Stanley.....	H. G. Goodhue.....	F. N. Fraser.....
96	aCorinthian.....	Barrie.....	Jas. Marlin.....	A. H. Felt.....
97	aSharon.....	Queensville.....	W. H. Daly.....	Jas. M. Milne.....
98	True Blue.....	Bolton.....	Rev. P. N. Knight.....	Geo. Lockwood.....
99	Tuscan.....	Newmarket.....	R. L. Pritchard.....	Gordon Burnet.....
100	Valley.....	Dundas.....	H. W. Lawson.....	F. A. Latschaw.....
101	aCorinthian.....	Peterborough.....	R. F. Downey.....	C. E. Sisson.....
103	aMaple Leaf.....	St. Catharines.....	G. L. Sherk.....	H. J. Johnston.....
104	St. John's.....	Norwich.....	H. H. Eggman.....	E. W. Moles.....
105	aSt. Mark's.....	Niagara Falls.....	J. R. Scott.....	C. J. Didemus.....
106	aBurford.....	Burford.....	Geo. M. Hearne.....	Geo. Armstrong.....
107	St. Paul's.....	Lambeth.....	R. A. McDougall.....	H. Poole.....
108	Blenheim.....	Princeton.....	Hugh E. Baxter.....	T. J. Rawlinson.....
109	aAlbion.....	Harrowsmith.....	Arthur E. Hart.....	Roy E. Deline.....
110	aCentral.....	Prescott.....	W. J. Ranson.....	C. H. Ranson.....
113	aWilson.....	Waterford.....	H. A. Sanderson.....	D. A. Hill.....
114	aHope.....	Port Hope.....	H. E. Martin.....	Thos. H. Bell.....
115	aVly.....	Bearsville.....	W. C. Tufford.....	W. D. Fairbrother.....
116	aCassia.....	Thedford.....	H. Carruthers.....	J. H. Whealen.....
118	Union.....	Schomberg.....	R. Stewart.....	Francis Attridge.....
119	aMaple Leaf.....	Bath.....	W. C. T. Loyst.....	F. G. Young.....
120	Warren.....	Fingal.....	J. R. Lethbridge.....	D. Cameron.....
121	aDoric.....	Brantford.....	W. W. Linscott.....	Jas. C. Spence.....
122	aRenfrew.....	Renfrew.....	Jas. M. Austin.....	Hugh Macdonald.....
123	aBelleville.....	Belleville.....	W. J. Hume.....	D. Barragar.....
125	aCornwall.....	Cornwall.....	F. P. Hall.....	John Ridley.....
126	aGolden Rule.....	Campbellford.....	C. H. Harris.....	F. C. Bonnycastle.....
127	aFrank.....	Frankford.....	E. E. Ketcheson.....	J. M. Bell.....
128	aPembroke.....	Pembroke.....	Chas. W. Fraser.....	D. W. Blakely.....
129	Rising Sun.....	Aurora.....	G. W. Williams.....	J. G. McDonald.....
131	aSt. Lawrence.....	Southampton.....	D. L. Benedict.....	F. Goodier.....
133	aLebanon Forest.....	Exeter.....	E. M. Dignan.....	R. N. Creech.....
135	aSt. Clair.....	Milton.....	G. H. Robinson.....	A. A. Armstrong.....
136	aRichardson.....	Stouffville.....	F. A. Dales.....	Oscar Baker.....
137	aPythagoras.....	Meaford.....	Wm. G. Bight.....	F. H. Finley.....
139	Lebanon.....	Oshawa.....	W. G. Bunker.....	H. A. Saunders.....
140	aMalahide.....	Aylmer.....	Geo. Stewart.....	J. R. Woods.....
141	aTudor.....	Mitchell.....	W. A. Stuart.....	A. J. Blowes.....
142	aExcelsior.....	Morrisburg.....	W. C. Davy.....	B. A. Herring.....
143	aFriendly Brothers.....	Iroquois.....	T. H. Ivison.....	S. W. Wood.....
144	aTecumseh.....	Stratford.....	A. B. Manson.....	F. S. Smith.....
145	aJ. B. Hall.....	Millbrook.....	L. C. Russell.....	Chas. Thorndyke.....

## AT DECEMBER 31, 1920.

## Special Addresses of Secretaries

of St. John the Evangelist, all others on or near that of St. John the Baptist.

are corrected up to July 21, 1921.

No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Resigned	Dead	Suspend. N. P. D.	Suspend. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members
75	1st Monday.....	10	6	6	4	1	6					403
76	2nd Monday.....	8	14	8	1	4		6			4	298
77	1st Friday.....	10	12	14	3	1	2				1	312
78	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	17	21	24		2	3				2	216
79	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	3	3	4			1					108
81	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	2	6	8								108
82	2nd Tuesday.....	2	2	2	1	1		1		1		166
83	Fri. on or aft. F.M.....	3	5	5		1	1	1				175
84	Fri. on or aft. F.M.....	2	3	1							1	92
85	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.....	1	5	3	1		2					89
86	3rd Tuesday.....	15	30	25		1	5					471
87	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	4	7	8			2					157
88	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	2	2	5			1				1	220
90	2nd Tuesday.....	1	1	5			2	2				242
91	3rd Friday.....	8	6	3	1							131
92	2nd Friday.....	18	17	9		3	2					411
93	1st Wednesday.....	2	3	7	1	4	2					149
94	2nd Tuesday.....	1	3									94
96	1st Thursday.....	12	7	4	3		1					255
97	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	3	4	3								93
98	Fri. after F.M.....	4	6	5	2						1	70
99	2nd Wednesday.....	7	4	1			2					107
100	2nd Monday.....	3	14	12								277
101	3rd Friday.....	3	4	2			2					210
103	Last Thursday.....	10	14	1								325
104	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	7	8	3			2					143
105	2nd Tuesday.....	17	12	15	4		1					237
106	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	3	4	8							1	108
107	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	1	3	6								108
108	Fri. on or after F.M.....	5	5	2								96
109	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	3	3	4		1	1					141
110	1st Tuesday.....	1	5	4							2	148
113	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	7	4	3	2							182
114	1st Friday.....	3	5	5							1	225
115	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	7	5	11		1					2	181
116	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	6	7	7								54
118	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	6	5	6			1				2	60
119	Mon. bef. F.M.....	3	5	2	1		2	2			1	97
120	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	6	7	6	1							71
121	3rd Friday.....	15	7	8	6						2	601
122	1st Monday.....	6	6	4	2		1					159
123	1st Thursday.....	7	5	5	2	3	2					285
125	1st Wednesday.....	2	3	2			1				2	164
126	1st Tuesday.....	3	5	2		2						163
127	Mon. bef. F.M.....	2	4	5								158
128	1st Thursday.....		1	5	3	1	1				1	220
129	1st Friday.....	2	7	7		1	1					137
131	Tues. on or after F.M.....	5	6	3		1	2					99
133	Mon. on or bef. F.M.....	7	3	4	1			1				110
135	Thur. on or bef. F.M.....	6	3	7	1							141
136	Fri. on or after F.M.....	7	2	3	2	1						67
137	1st Tuesday.....	1		2		2	2					128
139	2nd Tuesday.....	2		14	1						1	212
140	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	7	2	2		2						140
141	Tues. on or bef. F.M.....	10	7	5		2						122
142	Fri. on or bef. F.M.....	2	8	5	1							94
143	Wed. on or bef. F.M.....	7	3				1					121
144	3rd Friday.....	22	29	14	4	1	1	3				362
145	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.....	1	2	3	2							98



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146	aPrince of Wales.....	Newburgh..	W. A. Ballance	W. A. Ramsay.....
147	Mississippi.....	Almonte.....	Bert K. Gunn.....	W. S. Boyd.....
148	aCivil Service.....	Ottawa.....	F. D. Burpee.....	H. W. Lotnrop.....
149	aErie.....	Port Dover.....	L. B. Ivey.....	J. C. King.....
151	aGrand River.....	Kitchener.....	J. F. Carmichael ..	P. Fisaer.....
153	aBurns.....	Wyoming.....	Robt. Hart.....	Alx. McManus.....
154	aIrving.....	Lucan.....	Karl O'Neil.....	C. J. Murdy.....
155	aPeterborough.....	Peterborough.....	M. J. Breckenridge	D. D. Brown.....
156	aYork.....	Toronto.....	Jas. E. McMullin ..	W. E. Hoiland.....
157	aSimpson.....	Newboro'.....	Vernon H. Young.....	E. L. Frost.....
158	aAlexandra.....	Oil Springs.....	H. H. Dunlop.....	J. W. Sauvey.....
159	aGoodwood.....	Richmond.....	I. R. Mill.....	S. B. Gordon.....
161	aPercy.....	Warkworth.....	A. G. Broomfield.....	A. M. Smals.....
162	Forest.....	Wroxeter.....	Gavin Davidson.....	Thos. Brown.....
164	aStar in the East.....	Wellington.....	D. S. Ainsworth.....	E. L. Hubbs.....
165	aBurlington.....	Burlington.....	A. C. Ferguson.....	Jas. S. Allen.....
166	aWentworth.....	Stoney Creek.....	E. H. Anderson.....	John H. Lee.....
168	aMerritt.....	Welland.....	C. S. Bravin.....	H. E. Dawdy.....
169	aMacnab.....	Port Colborne.....	W. E. Kitchen.....	D. Burt.....
170	aBritannia.....	Seaforth.....	J. F. Ross.....	C. Aberhart.....
171	aPrince of Wales.....	Lawrence Sta.....	Robt. McCallum.....	John C. Patterson.....
172	Ayr.....	Ayr.....	A. D. MacIntyre ..	A. R. Robertson.....
174	aWalsingham.....	Port Rowan.....	W. A. Broddy.....	J. E. Biddle.....
177	The Builders.....	Ottawa.....	R. E. Cook.....	H. H. Cairns.....
178	aPlattsville.....	Plattsville.....	A. A. Riseberry.....	W. R. Henderson.....
180	aSpeed.....	Guelph.....	Geo. Fairley.....	T. E. Cotton.....
181	aOriental.....	Port Burwell.....	McL. Vernon.....	L. W. Diehl.....
184	aOld Light.....	Lucknow.....	N. G. McKenzie.....	W. A. Wilson.....
185	aEnniskillen.....	York.....	F. S. Moore.....	F. W. Brown.....
186	aPlantagenet.....	Riceville.....	Wm. A. Peresian.....	G. A. Ryan.....
190	Belmont.....	Belmont.....	Orville Reid.....	J. F. Turner.....
192	aOrillia.....	Orillia.....	R. M. Scott.....	T. C. Doidge.....
193	aScotland.....	Scotland.....	Jas. H. Knight.....	J. E. Messecar.....
194	aPetrolia.....	Petrolia.....	Jos. E. Stonehouse.....	J. R. Steadman.....
195	aTuscan.....	London.....	C. H. Beard.....	F. H. Greenlees.....
196	aMadawaska.....	Arnprior.....	C. N. Thompson.....	Henry Newham.....
197	aSaugeen.....	Walkerton.....	H. J. Boan.....	Chas. T. Boss.....
200	St. Alban's.....	Mount Forest.....	G. F. S. LeWarne.....	S. A. Pennock.....
201	aLeeds.....	Gananoque.....	W. V. Battams.....	R. B. Gilbert.....
203	Irvine.....	Elora.....	T. N. Bell.....	R. D. Cardno.....
205	New Dominion.....	New Hamburg.....	E. S. Bechtel.....	A. R. G. Smith.....
207	aLancaster.....	Lancaster.....	Fred. McLeod.....	R. T. Nicholson.....
209	aEvergreen.....	Lanark.....	Wm. K. Fair.....	Robt. Wilson.....
209a	aSt. John's.....	London.....	Edwin Smith.....	J. E. Keenleyside.....
215	Lake.....	Ameliasburg.....	H. E. Redner.....	Jas. E. Glenn.....
216	aHarris.....	Orangeville.....	J. I. Island.....	A. E. Annis.....
217	aFrederick.....	Del i.....	H. J. Condell.....	Max MacPherson.....
218	aStevenson.....	Toronto.....	W. W. Bamlett.....	H. C. H. Corneil.....
219	aCredit.....	Georgetown.....	Henry Corke.....	Geo. Ford.....
220	Zeredatha.....	Uxbridge.....	J. F. Curl.....	V. M. Hare.....
221	aMountain.....	Thorold.....	L. S. O'Connor.....	W. J. Mable.....
222	aMarmora.....	Marmora.....	H. O. Loveless.....	W. C. Inkster.....
223	aNcrwood.....	Norwood.....	Robt. A. Scott.....	I. F. Pearce.....
224	Zurich.....	Hensall.....	I. W. Peck.....	A. W. E. Hemphill.....
225	aBernard.....	Listowel.....	B. J. H. Bamford.....	J. H. Blackmore.....
228	aPrince Arthur.....	Odessa.....	E. P. Babcock.....	Robt. Bennett.....
229	aIonic.....	Brampton.....	W. D. Ingram.....	W. J. Fenton.....
230	Kerr.....	Barrie.....	H. C. Channen.....	W. N. Duff.....
231	Lodge of Fidelity.....	Ottawa.....	H. M. Butler.....	C. B. Patten.....



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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Resigned	Dead	Suspend. N. P. D.	Suspend. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members
146	Wed. bef. F.M.		2	2								94
147	1st Friday	1	1	1				1			1	119
148	2nd Tuesday	5	9	4	2		3	1				336
149	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	2	3			1					113
151	2nd Tuesday	8	13	11			2					293
153	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	2	3	2		2	1					122
154	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	5	3	3	1	1						291
155	1st Friday	7	20	22	2	2	7					108
156	3rd Friday	8	13	16		1					1	298
157	Tues. on or bef. F.M.		1	1			1					84
158	Thurs. on or after F.M.		3	6		1						97
159	Tues. on or bef. F.M.		4	4		1	1	3				81
161	Wed before F.M.	2	5	2		2	3					94
162	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	1		1	1	1	1					40
164	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	3	5	3		3	1					147
165	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	7	8	5	3		1				3	184
166	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	14	12	14	1	3	1					206
168	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	8	7	6	3	1		1				201
169	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	9	9	6		3		3				146
170	1st Monday	3	2	2	1	1	1				1	150
171	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	3	1	1	1					45
172	2nd Monday	11	11	8		4						69
174	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	5	12	10		2	1				1	107
177	2nd Friday	4	9	10			3					387
178	Fri. on or bef. F.M.		1	2			2					62
180	1st Tuesday	9	9	14	2	2	3					260
181	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	1				2						54
184	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	11	8	11			1					130
185	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	1										52
186	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	1		2		2		4				55
190	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	1										92
192	1st Friday	2	1	8			1					365
193	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	4	4	1		1					121
194	2nd Wednesday	8	5	8		4	1	1				192
195	1st Monday	2			3							220
196	2nd Monday	5	7	8	2	2						135
197	2nd Tuesday	5	2	2		1						117
200	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	2	1	5		2	1					98
201	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	7	8		1	1	3				1	256
203	3rd Friday	5	3	1			4					119
205	Mon. on or after F.M.	3	2	2	1	1						46
207	Tues. after F.M.	14	12	10	1	2						134
209	1st Tuesday	3	4	4		1	1					67
209a	1st Friday	10	12	11	2		2	1			1	559
215	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	2		1	1					88
216	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	9	5	1	1		1	2				206
217	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	5	3		1							82
218	2nd Monday	10	14	14							3	373
219	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	5	4	2	1		1					126
220	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	18	11	9	2	1	1	3			1	167
221	2nd Thursday	9	12	13	1	4	1				2	223
222	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	10	6	2								111
223	Mon. on or bef. F.M.			4	1	3					1	115
224	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	6	4	1		3	2					90
225	Fr. on or bef. F.M.	14	16	13	7	2	1				2	178
228	Mon. on or after F.M.	8	7	6	1			2			1	93
229	3rd Tuesday	16	15	3	1	1	2					185
230	3rd Friday	11	11	11	4	1						242
231	3rd Tuesday	9	12	7	1	1	2					395

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
232	aCameron .....	Dutton	J. A. McNeill ..	M. S. Claus.....
233	Doric .....	Parkhill	C. W. Browne ..	Dr. Geo. A. Fraser..
234	aBeaver .....	Clarksburg.....	C. J. Lougheed ..	Wm. Reekie .....
235	Aldworth .....	Paisley .....	J. A. Cumming ..	H. B. Putnam .....
236	aManitoba .....	Cookstown.....	T. M. Fletcher..	W. G. Mackay .....
237	Vienna .....	Vienna .....	Chas. R. Gordon..	S. S. Clutton.....
238	Havelock .....	Watford.....	Geo. Stephenson ..	Orlo Jacklin.....
239	Tweed .....	Tweed .....	R. T. Graham .....	W. W. Garrett .....
242	aMacy .....	Mallorytown ..	O. L. Tennant ..	F. H. Mallory .....
243	aSt. George .....	St. George .....	John Lawrason ..	J. McNeilly .....
245	aTecomseh .....	Thamesville ..	Innes J. Davidson ..	Angus Graham .....
247	aAshlar .....	Toronto .....	Albert V. Elmes ..	Wm. H. Best .....
249	aCaledonian .....	Midland .....	Chas. G. Bowie ..	W. H. Thornton .....
250	Thistle .....	Embro .....	Peter Smith .....	D. J. McLeod.....
253	aMinden .....	Kingston.....	G. L. VanHorne..	J. R. Forster .....
254	aClifton .....	Niagara Falls ..	Douglas R. Muir ..	Samuel Warren .....
255	Sydenham .....	Dresden .....	R. R. Duston .....	John French.....
256	aFarran's Point ..	Aultsville.....	Edwin Vincent ..	R. H. Hanes .....
257	aGalt .....	Galt .....	John S. McGaw ..	Robt. Clark .....
258	Guelph .....	Guelph .....	W. G. Thorby .....	F. F. Sweetman .....
259	Springfield .....	Springfield ..	M. S. Charlton ..	M. M. Black .....
260	aWashington .....	Petrolia .....	W. H. Dowling ..	H. F. Winter .....
261	aOak Branch .....	Innerkip .....	R. S. Gillespie ..	J. S. Hislop .....
262	aHarriston .....	Harriston .....	D. R. Macfarlane ..	H. J. Hucks .....
263	aForest .....	Forest .....	Robt. Hair .....	R. B. Crosbie .....
264	aChaudiere .....	Ottawa .....	G. B. Peterkin.....	Thos. H. Hoare.....
265	Patterson .....	Thornhill .....	O. C. James .....	J. A. Thompson .....
266	aNorthern Light ..	Stayner .....	Rev. K. MacLean ..	D. G. Bell .....
267	Parthenon .....	Chatham .....	Tas. M. Eddington ..	J. G. Martin .....
268	aVerulam .....	Bobcaygeon ..	J. J. Ingram .....	K. L. Wilson .....
269	aBrougham Union ..	Claremont.....	C. S. Trueman .....	Thos. Gregg .....
270	aCedar .....	Oshawa .....	C. T. Batty .....	Thos. Hawkes.....
271	Wellington .....	Erin .....	Ross R. MacKay ..	T. C. Foster .....
272	Seymour .....	Ancaster.....	Roy A. Moffatt ..	Ernest McMullen ..
274	aKent .....	Blenheim .....	John L. Rutherford ..	W. R. Fellows, Jr. ....
276	aTeeswater .....	Teeswater .....	W. C. Webster .....	G. S. Fowler .....
277	aSeymour .....	Port Dalhousie ..	Chas. H. Thorpe ..	Thos. O. Johnston ..
279	aNew Hope .....	Hespeler .....	Wm. Hortop .....	Edgar Garland .....
282	Lorne .....	Glencoe .....	Chas. E. Davidson ..	R. M. McPherson ..
283	aEureka .....	Belleville .....	L. E. Walmsley ..	W. Jeffers Diamond ..
284	St. John's .....	Brussels .....	B. S. Scott .....	J. Wright .....
285	Seven Star .....	Alliston .....	James Carr .....	Wm. Caesar .....
286	Wingham .....	Wingham .....	H. J. Jobb .....	G. L. Bisbee .....
287	aShuniah .....	Port Arthur.....	Arch. McIvor .....	Geo. G. Milne .....
289	aDoric .....	Lobo .....	Arch. Fletcher ..	P. L. Graham .....
290	aLeamington .....	Leamington.....	Alvin Bunn .....	L. J. Wright .....
291	aDufferin .....	W. Flamboro' ..	T. J. McCormick ..	Wesley Green .....
292	aRobertson .....	King .....	Jas. E. Burns .....	E. M. Legge .....
294	aMoore .....	Courtright .....	H. L. Preter .....	C. W. Kent .....
295	aConestogo .....	Drayton .....	J. G. A. McEwen ..	Calvert Scarr .....
296	aTemple .....	St. Catharines ..	F. W. Graham .....	C. A. Brown .....
297	Preston .....	Preston .....	Ernest Tailby .....	J. A. King .....
299	Victoria .....	Centreville .....	W. S. Lockwood ..	H. A. Carscallen ..
300	aMount Olivet .....	Thorndale .....	Fred. Belton .....	G. B. Vining .....
302	St. David's .....	St. Thomas .....	John L. McTaggart ..	W. H. Stapleton .....
303	aBlyth .....	Blyth .....	C. E. McTaggart ..	J. M. Hamilton .....
304	aMinerva .....	Stroud .....	N. W. Rogers .....	Wilson Black .....
305	Humber .....	Weston .....	Thos. Stone .....	Wm. C. Burrage .....
306	Durham .....	Durham .....	R. E. Richardson ..	E. A. Hay .....

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232	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	12	7	6	1	7	2					111
233	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	2	1	4	3	1	1				1	102
234	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	1				2	1					86
235	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	9	6	8	3							116
236	Tues. on or after F.M.	5	4	6			1	2			1	122
237	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	4	3	2			1					94
238	Tues. bef. F.M.	3	3	3							1	93
239	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	5	2	1		2	1				4	153
242	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4				1	1				1	126
243	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	2	3	3								99
245	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	3	3								98
247	4th Tuesday	3	10	10	2	1	2	8				441
249	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	7	17	6		4		3			5	262
250	Thurs. bef. F.M.	34	35	38	3	2	1				1	107
253	1st Tuesday	11	18	15		1						274
254	1st Thursday	27	27	28	3		1	1				413
255	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	2	4	5								134
256	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	5								117
257	1st Tuesday	4	5	8								264
258	2nd Tuesday	8	12	13		2	1	1				241
259	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	9	7	7	1	1						158
260	1st Wednesday	9	7	10	2			1			1	199
261	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	1	2	3		1					1	49
262	2nd Monday	2	2	2	1							105
263	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	11	8	11								116
264	4th Tuesday	13	10	13		1	2				3	370
265	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	2	6	8								101
266	Tues. on or before F.M.	5	3	3							1	66
267	1st Wednesday	10	12	20	1	1	3	2				418
268	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	7	7	2	1							94
269	Wed. on or before F.M.	12	10	9			1					84
270	4th Tuesday	3	6	4	2	4	2				1	182
271	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	9	11	9		1					2	99
272	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	5	6	5			1	1				177
274	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	2	7		3					1	175
276	4th Thursday	2	2		1		2					57
277	2nd Wednesday	2	3									93
279	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	6		2					1	118
282	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	3	5	6	1	1	1					109
283	Wed. after F.M.	8	7	4	4		2					227
284	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	15	11	7	2							118
285	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	8	7	5							1	142
286	1st Tuesday	4	4	6	2	2	3				1	139
287	1st Tuesday	11	6	3	2	3		2				396
289	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	15	16	4								123
290	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	12	13	8		1						234
291	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	7	5	2	1							131
292	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	2	2	2	1							63
294	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	1		3	1		1					83
295	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	5	10	8		2						115
296	3rd Wednesday	10	15	4	1	1					2	252
297	3rd Friday	3	4	6	5							131
299	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	1				4				71
300	Tues. on or bef. F.M.		1	3	1							100
302	3rd Thurs.	3	6	7		2	5					437
303	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	3	1	1		3						107
304	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	9	6	9		5	1					125
305	4th Friday	4	10	10	2	1	1					169
306	2nd Tuesday	18	13	10	1		1					98

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
307	aArkona	Arkona	Otto Schmidt	A. M. Thoman
309	aMorning Star	Carlow	R. D. Munro	R. M. Young
311	aBlackwood	Woodbridge	G. L. Wheler	G. D. McLean
312	aPnyx	Wallaceburg	W. H. Colwell	John Barber
313	aClementi	Lakefield	D. H. Charlton	A. E. Kennedy
314	aBlair	Palmerston	Robt. T. Barton	H. E. McEwing
315	aClifford	Clifford	John Lintz	Wm. Graef
316	aDoric	Toronto	F. N. Wiggins	J. H. Walterhouse
318	aWilnot	Baden	J. C. Laschinger	H. C. Schumm
319	aHiram	Hagersville	L. A. Smith	W. C. VanLoon
320	aChesterville	Chesterville	Edward Gillard	Geo. Elliott
321	aWalker	Acton	L. G. King	R. M. McDonald
322	aNorth Star	Owen Sound	John McEwen	A. A. Parks
323	aAlvinston	Alvinston	L. W. Oke	Jas. Holme
324	aTemple	Hamilton	Cecil H. McKay	C. G. Stead
325	aOrono	Orono	R. Z. Hall	Neil Colville
326	aZetland	Toronto	Gerald M. Malone	J. H. Macabe
327	Hammond	Wardsville	Garrett McMaster	M. J. Willson
328	aIonic	Napier	Daniel Patterson	W. L. Toohill
329	aKing Solomon's	Jarvis	E. T. Carter	R. W. Smith
330	aCor nth an	London	Alf. Johnson	H. J. Ch lds
331	aFordw ch	Fordwich	Harvey Gibson	A. C. Hutchison
332	aStratford	Stratford	M. A. Humber	E. Denroche
333	aPrince Arthur	Flesherton	Peter Muir	R. G. Holland
334	aPrince Arthur	Arthur	J. K. Blair	Peter Greig
336	aHighgate	Highgate	M. S. Scott	C. E. M. Mandell
337	aMyrtle	Port Robinson	Jas. T. Romp	Chas. S. Ross
338	aDufferin	Wellandport	David Brown	W. J. Steward
339	aOrient	Toronto	G. N. Ferrier	W. E. Birrell
341	aBruce	Tiverton	R. J. McKellar	D. A. McLaren
343	aGeorgina	Toronto	Hugh L. Crawford	Geo. Thompson
344	aMerrill	Dorchester	R. A. Logan	J. E. Bancroft
345	aNilestown	Nilestown	Thos. Beattie	Chas. Jackson
346	aOccident	Toronto	Chas. S. Hall	Wm. M. Williams
347	aMercer	Fergus	R. C. Hayden	P. Perry
348	aGeorgian	Penetanguishene	W. R. Benson	R. D. Keefe
352	aGranite	Parry Sound	John Perks	J. H. Knifton
354	aBrock	Cannington	Rev. J. H. Kidd	Jos. A. Kift
356	aRiver Park	Streetsville	John R. Kennedy	H. W. Couse
357	aWaterdown	Millgrove	John R. Nicol	G. F. Poole
358	aDelaware Valley	Delaware	Crawford McAuley	Stanley Merrill
359	aVittoria	Vittoria	Percy Dunkin	John Pow
360	aMuskoka	Bracebridge	Harry Linney	F. P. Warne
361	aWaverley	Guelph	Geo. P. Waters	Jos. A. Hewitt
362	aMaple Leaf	Tara	C. A. VanDuser	E. J. Madill
364	aDufferin	Melbourne	J. L. Stephenson	Geo. J. Stevenson
367	aSt. George	Toronto	James Rae	A. G. A. Nelson
368	aSalem	Brockville	F. E. Hammond	E. A. Geiger
369	aMimico	Lambton Mills	Gordon Hallett	H. Durrant
370	aHarmony	Delta	W. C. Webster	H. E. Johnson
371	aPrince of Wales	Ottawa	F. T. Burgess	A. E. Revell
372	aPalmer	Bridgeburg	Wm. G. Stamp	N. D. Graham
373	aCopestone	Welland	C. P. Somerville	Thos. Main
374	aKeene	Keene	R. J. McCamus	R. J. Lovell
375	aLorne	Omeme	O. Staples	W. J. Thorn
376	aUnity	Huntsville	Chas. A. Ego	Oscar Wieler
377	aLorne	Shelburne	A. L. Galbraith	Samuel Patterson
378	aKing Solomon's	London	A. J. Wilkins	Wm. Nicholls
379	aMiddlesex	Bryanston	H. E. Ralph	Alex. Grant



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309	Wed. on or bef. F.M. ....	4	2			1						68
311	Fri. on or bef. F.M. ....		1	1								68
312	Mon. on or bef. F.M. ....	8	6	9							1	183
313	1st Tuesday .....		2		1	1						116
314	2nd Friday .....	6	3	4							3	133
315	3rd Monday .....	1	2	2		1						62
316	3rd Thursday .....	18	19	29	3	11	1	4			2	462
318	Fri. on or after F.M. ....											25
319	Thurs. on or bef. F.M. ...	5	1	1	1	3	1					140
320	Mon. on or bef. F.M. ....	6	7	7	2	1						139
321	Mon. on or bef. F.M. ....	3	2	4								99
322	Wed. after F.M. ....	14	18	20	3	1						237
323	Wed. on bef. F. M. ....	2	2	1		1	1	2				93
324	2nd Tuesday .....	10	16	14	2	2	1				2	522
325	Thur. on or bef. F. M. ....	5										64
326	4th Friday .....	8	11	12	2	1	4				2	621
327	Mon. on or bef. F. M. ....	2	2	1								44
328	Fri. on or bef. F. M. ....	5	4	1								63
329	Fri. on or bef. F. M. ....	2				1						72
330	1st Tuesday .....	6	12	11		2	2	8			1	307
331	Thur. on or bef. F. M. ....	2	3	3								81
332	2nd Monday .....	8	7	11	2	1						285
333	Fri. on or bef. F. M. ....	4	3	5								92
334	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	1	2	3								66
336	Fri. on or bef. F. M. ....	4	2	2								87
337	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	9	11	7								75
338	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	2	2	2		1						77
339	1st Tuesday .....	18	22	31	2		5	1				453
341	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	3	3	5								77
343	1st Saturday .....	6	5	22			1				3	489
344	Thur. on or bef. F. M. ....	3	1									62
345	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	1	2	2				1			1	91
346	3rd Wednesday .....	20	17	10	2	1	1				2	603
347	1st Friday .....	2	2	2	1	1						111
348	1st Thursday .....	4	4	2			1					126
352	3rd Wednesday .....	7	3	6	1	1						236
354	Wed. on or bef. F. M. ....	2	1	1		2					1	82
356	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	10	10	8			1					106
357	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	12	10	9			2					184
358	Fri. on or bef. F. M. ....	7	2	2	2		1				1	83
359	Fri. on or bef. F. M. ....	6	3		2							65
360	1st Tuesday .....	5	7	6		1	1				1	107
361	4th Monday .....	42	38	26	3	9	4	7			3	344
362	Mon. on or bef. F. M. ....	3	6	3								77
364	Wed. on or bef. F. M. ....	2	1	3		1	1	3				70
367	1st Friday .....	8	12	17	1	6	2				2	481
368	2nd Monday .....	3	5	8		2	3	3			1	250
369	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	9	8	7	1	1	2					192
370	Wed. on or bef. F. M. ....	2	3	4		1						95
371	4th Friday .....	9	8	6	1						1	272
372	1st Tuesday .....	9	10	2			1				4	156
373	1st Thursday .....	4	5	4		1	2	3			1	212
374	Thur. on or bef. F. M. ....						1	1				32
375	1st Thursday .....	5	4	3		1						102
376	2nd Wednesday .....	18	10	7		1	2					147
377	1st Friday .....	5	8	4	3							107
378	2nd Thursday .....	10	17	13	1		1					328
379	Wed. on or bef. F. M. ....	3	3	1		1		2				60



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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
380	aUnion	London	J. W. Carson	Jos. Ward
382	aDoric	Hamilton	Thos. E. Holmes	Dr. C. V. Emory
383	aHenderson	Winchester	Frank A. Smith	John M. Courtice
384	aAlpha	Toronto	Wm. J. J. Butler	E. J. Voss
385	aSpry	Beeton	Frank Wilcox	Geo. W. Reynolds
386	aMcColl	West Lorne	Russell Love	Earl Lemon
387	aLansdowne	Lansdowne	L. C. Jack	G. H. Landon
388	aHenderson	Ilderton	S. R. Prebble	E. E. Charlton
389	aCrystal Fountain	N. Augusta	Alex. W. Forsyth	R. C. Ralph
390	aFlorence	Florence	Wm. J. Ackert	Jas. Beatty
391	aHoward	Ridgetown	J. A. Macdonald	T. A. Routledge
392	aHuron	Camlachie	J. T. McConnell	J. W. Symington
393	aForest	Chesley	E. B. Caldwell	H. H. Stevens
394	aKing Solomon's	Thamesford	Wm. I. Hogg	W. W. Day
395	aParvaim	Comber	W. J. Nethercott	L. Dean
396	aCedar	Warton	John D. Ewing	A. E. Jackson
397	aLeopold	Brigden	W. W. Miller	J. W. McDonald
398	aVictoria	Kirkfield	W. W. Finney	Wm. Jobe
399	aMoffat	Harrietsville	J. E. Warren	Jas. Butler
400	aOakville	Oakville	Geo. B. Jacobs	E. O. Taylor
401	aCraig	Deseronto	G. D. M. Bartley	Robt. Large
402	aCentral	Essex	H. L. Martinson	I. Middleton
403	aWindsor	Windsor	A. H. Dalziel	A. N. Pettit
404	aLorne	Tamworth	Mark Gilmour	S. D. Whaley
405	aMattawa	Mattawa	H. H. Betts	H. H. Betts (acting)
406	aSpry	Fenelon Falls	M. H. McCallum	H. J. Townley
408	aMurray	Beaverton	F. B. Warren	W. C. Latimer
409	aGolden Rule	Gravenhurst	W. H. Butterworth	H. C. Davidson
410	aZeta	Toronto	Alton Parks	W. E. Robson
411	aRodney	Rodney	Geo. E. Brown	J. B. Stinson
412	aKeystone	Sault Ste. Marie	Geo. A. Shier	E. I. Scott
413	aNaphtali	Tilbury	Chas. Shevis	H. E. Edgecomb
414	aPequonga	Kenora	H. O. Holden	H. S. Cade
415	aFort William	Fort William	Robt. Carson	J. Underhill
416	aLyn	Lyn	Geo. R. Robinson	Frank Stafford
417	aKeewatin	Keewatin	Wm. Davidson	John M. Pearen
418	aMaxville	Maxville	R. A. Stewart	F. L. McMillan
419	aLiberty	Point Edward	Ronald Johnson	W. J. Alcock
420	aNipissing	Nipissing	D. G. Stevens	B. F. Nott
421	aScott	Grand Valley	E. H. Glenn	W. L. Craig
422	aStar of the East	Bothwell	Ronald MacRae	J. J. Vincent
423	aStrong	Sundridge	D. L. Valentine	A. A. Anderson
424	aDoric	Pickering	John A. McCamus	F. T. Bunting
425	aSt. Clair	Sombra	Wm. R. McNeil	J. W. Burnham
426	aStanley	Toronto	W. W. Newton	Wm. Harris
427	aNickel	Sudbury	R. H. Hutchison	Jos. Fowler
428	aFidelity	Port Perry	Geo. R. Davey	J. W. Crozier
429	aPort Elgin	Port Elgin	A. B. Robertson	Geo. E. Chapman
430	aAcacia	Toronto	H. G. Pace	R. G. Allen
431	aMoravian	Cargill	John Keyes	W. J. Loughleen
432	aHanover	Hanover	J. F. Roe	W. D. Staples
433	aBonnechere	Eganville	R. G. Bowland	W. W. Watson
434	aAlgonquin	Emsdale	H. S. Bell	Jas. H. Metcalfe
435	aHavelock	Havelock	Andrew Wright	Rev. J. Skene
436	aBurns	Hepworth	Wm. P. Brooks	John Ewing
437	aTuscan	Sarnia	C. F. Richards	W. J. Barrie
438	aHarmony	Toronto	E. W. Barber	T. M. Kinsman
439	aAlexandria	Alexandria	J. E. J. Aston	Rev. D. Stewart
440	aArcadia	Minden	Rev. G. E. Fierheller	S. Phillips
441	aWestport	Westport	Fred. Laidlaw	Jas. F. McGuire

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Resigned	Dead	Suspend. N. P. D.	Suspend. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members
380	2nd Monday.....	4	4	17	1		2	6				344
382	3rd Monday.....	7	7	8		1	3				1	483
383	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	1	5	10		4		1			1	117
384	1st Thursday.....	14	14	11		2	2	3				589
385	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	1	2	2		1						86
386	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	7	7	3	1		1					138
387	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	5	5	2								69
388	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	4	6	4	1							101
389	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	5	8	1	1	1	1	1				91
390	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	2		1								67
391	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	16	17	16		1						154
392	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	3	4	4	1		1					101
393	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	2		3		3	1					91
394	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	3	4	7			1					115
395	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	2	3	5		1	1	4				70
396	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	5	3		1	1	2					142
397	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	6		3		1					1	97
398	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	5	3									71
399	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	1	1		1							68
400	1st Tuesday.....	4	7	9			1					197
401	1st Tuesday.....	2	2	2		1						126
402	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	14	8	7								169
403	1st Friday.....	28	17	23	3	2	4	2				581
404	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	6	7	6			1	3				76
405	1st Tuesday.....	7	6	4								120
406	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	2	1	3		1	1					100
408	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	8	4	4		1	1					99
409	2nd Monday.....	1	2	1	1	4						123
410	4th Friday.....	15	12	7		4	2		1			435
411	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	3	4	4								58
412	1st Tuesday.....	9	12	7	2	2		3				467
413	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	3	2	1	1	1	1					108
414	1st Wednesday.....	8	7	2		1	3					268
415	2nd Wednesday.....	10	8	9		1	1	4			2	332
416	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....			1		2						56
417	1st Friday.....	2	4	3		1						107
418	2nd Friday.....	7	6	4								93
419	2nd Monday.....	3	2	1			1				2	111
420	2nd Monday.....	2	2	6			1				2	280
421	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	2	3	2								106
422	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	1	1	1	2	1						83
423	3rd Monday.....	2	2									87
424	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....							1				56
425	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....					2	2	4				106
426	1st Tuesday.....	21	23	16		2	5	4			1	464
427	1st Wednesday.....	14	15	1	2	2	2				1	306
428	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	14	10	6	1							156
429	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	1	2	2		1	1	1				77
430	3rd Monday.....	12	16	20	3	1	2	5			1	318
431	Fri. on or aft. F. M.....	3	1	1	1						1	60
432	Fri. on or aft. F. M.....	4	5	2	1		1					93
433	2nd Monday.....	9	12	15		1	1					97
434	Tue. on or aft. F. M.....	3	4	3		1					1	110
435	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	4	5	3		2					1	157
436	Tue. on or aft F. M.....	5	4	4								64
437	3rd Wednesday.....				3	1	1				1	323
438	4th Monday.....	16	13	11	2	1	3					482
439	Tue. on or aft F. M.....	7	6	1	1		1				1	74
440	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	1	1			1	1					70
441	1st Friday.....			5	1	1	1				1	92

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
442	aDyment	Thessalon	E. A. White	S. W. Nokes
443	aPowassan	Powassan	J. B. Lake	W. C. Porter
444	aNitetis	Creemore	J. H. Laughlin	John C. Lennox
445	aLake of the Woods	Kenora	P. E. Baker	I. A. Wilson
446	aGranite	Fort Frances	A. H. Watson	F. H. Warner
447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	E. W. Innes	Rev. Canon Piercy
448	aXenophon	Wheatley	M. H. Chamberlain	J. D. McGregor
449	Dundalk	Dundalk	Rev. W. G. Blackwell	A. E. Colgan
450	aHawkesbury	Hawkesbury	E. D. Campbell	W. G. McDonald
451	aSomerville	Kimmount	Ellsworth Jackson	C. W. Wellstood
452	aAvonmore	Avonmore	Arthur MacMillan	E. R. McMillan
453	Royal	Fort William	A. T. Gillespie	F. C. Perry
454	Corona	Burk's Falls	Robt. J. Clark	J. J. Wilson
455	Doric	Little Current	Albert Putt	A. P. Giles
456	Elma	Monkton	Rev. E. A. Thomson	A. Chalmers
457	aCentury	Merlin	Harry Gosnell	J. C. Sales
458	aWales	Wales	W. A. Robb	Geo. D. Colquhoun
459	aCobden	Cobden	Alex. McBride	Arch. S. McLaren
460	aRideau	Seeley's Bay	J. Robb	C. C. Gilbert
461	aIonic	Rainy River	H. H. Mills	D. K. McGregor
462	Temiskaming	New Liskeard	F. E. Thompson	J. H. Brown
463	North Entrance	Haliburton	A. H. Sewell	H. H. Clark
464	King Edward	Sunderland	L. E. Faed	R. A. Purvis
465	aCarleton	Carp	W. D. Jackson	Geo. A. Moore
466	aCoronation	Elmvale	Armor Thompson	J. T. Foster
467	aTottenham	Tottenham	J. A. Foucar	R. A. Semple
468	Peel	Caledon East	Geo. H. Scott	J. W. Phillips
469	aAlgoma	Sault Ste. Marie	H. F. Hesson	W. T. Scott
470	aVictoria	Victoria Harbor	Wm. Buttler	J. P. Schissler
471	aKing Edward VII	Chippawa	E. G. McKenzie	Wm. Smeaton
472	aGore Bay	Gore Bay	Jas. A. Baker	C. C. Platt
473	aThe Beaches	Toronto	A. M. Bond	S. J. Manchester
474	aVictoria	Toronto	D. S. McPherson	G. H. Cooper
475	aDundurn	Hamilton	Geo. Laidlaw	G. H. Ianigan
476	aCorinthian	North Gower	R. A. Craig	J. H. Cryderman
477	aHarding	Woodville	W. F. Law	A. E. Staback
478	aMilverton	Milverton	Jos. H. Lewis	E. Siegner
479	aRussell	Russell	P. J. Masson	P. J. McLaren
480	aWilliamsburg	Williamsburg	A. B. Smail	J. A. Barkley
481	aCorinthian	Toronto	Daniel Douglas	O. G. Stanyon
482	aBancroft	Bancroft	John K. Shephard	I. A. Eby
483	aGranton	Granton	Chas. Powers	R. S. Hobbs
484	Golden Star	Dryden	Duncan Reid	H. Humphreys
485	aHaileybury	Haileybury	A. Brian	R. Jenkins
486	aSilver	Cobalt	H. E. Tomney	F. W. Todd
487	aPenewobikong	Blind River	Wm. M. Watson	Geo. J. McArthur
488	aKing Edward	Harrow	C. W. Cornwall	G. E. Johnston
489	Osiris	Smith's Falls	Thos. Morrison	O. C. Abbott
490	aH ram	Markdale	T. H. Reburn	S. A. Morrison
491	aCardinal	Cardinal	A. J. H. Skuce	W. T. Kingston
492	aKarnak	Coldwater	Howard Elliott	C. G. Millard
493	aSt. Marys	St. Mary's	A. E. Johnson	L. G. Maxwell
494	aRivendale	Toronto	A. J. Cherry	J. W. Malcolm
495	aElectric	Hamilton	A. E. Hutchison	W. F. Montague
496	aUniversity	Toronto	Chas. F. Heebner	P. W. Rogers
497	aSt. Andrew's	Arden	Gilbert Cronk	F. L. Wormworth
498	aKing George V.	Coboconk	Wm. Embury	A. W. Dayman
499	aPort Arthur	Port Arthur	J. W. Wyllie	A. Rome
500	aRose	Windsor	Robt. Reid	M. P. McMaster

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442	2nd Thursday.....	4	6	1		2						116
443	2nd Friday.....	2	4	2			1					64
444	Tuesday on or aft. F. M..	2	2	1			2				3	87
445	2nd Wednesday.....	3	4	5	1	1	1				2	63
446	1st Tuesday.....	4	4	3		1	1					120
447	2nd Thursday.....	1	2	1		4						89
448	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	3	6	4	2							67
449	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	3	2	1								88
450	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	5	4	7	1	1					2	93
451	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	4	4	3		1	1					67
452	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	2	6	8		4						100
453	1st Wednesday.....	4	4	6		3	2					181
454	2nd Monday.....	2	5	4	1			1			1	95
455	2nd Tuesday.....	4	6	6			1					101
456	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	1	1	2							1	56
457	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	8	5	4			1					106
458	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	1	1	1		1						95
459	2nd Tuesday.....	2	9	7	1	2						118
460	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	9	3	1								83
461	1st Thursday.....											95
462	3rd Thursday.....	1	1	2	1							174
463	3rd Thursday.....	7	8	6								67
464	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	2				1					1	84
465	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	2	2			2						72
466	1st Friday.....	1	1			1						92
467	Mon. on or aft. F. M.....	6	8	5		1						71
468	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	3	2	2	2							101
469	2nd Monday.....	7	8	17		4						277
470	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	1	3	2		4		4				138
471	1st Wednesday.....	1	3	2			1					83
472	1st Wednesday.....	9	9	10								96
473	2nd Friday.....	14	12	12		3	1				1	283
474	3rd Tuesday.....	15	14	14	2	2	2					352
475	3rd Saturday.....	22	30	22	6	2	2	14			1	456
476	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	2	3		1	3	1					78
477	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	1	3	4	1		1					79
478	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	5	4	4		1	1					79
479	Mon. on or aft. F. M.....	9	11	7	3	2						146
480	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	1	4	5			2					60
481	4th Thursday.....	16	20	7		2		5				257
482	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	9	4	3			2					159
483	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	4	3	2								66
484	2nd Tuesday.....	7	6	4	2	1					1	92
485	1st Thursday.....	2	6	5			1					194
486	1st Monday.....	3	2	8		3						238
487	2nd Monday.....	3	2	1							1	77
488	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	3	1	1								99
489	Fri. aft. F. M.....	5	3	2	1	1				1		111
490	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	1					1					46
491	2nd Friday.....	6	3	1	1	1						90
492	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	3	3	1								80
493	4th Monday.....	23	17	21	4		1					157
494	4th Friday.....	29	50	27	2	2		4				355
495	3rd Wednesday.....	22	18	19	1	2	4	1			1	466
496	2nd Thursday.....	11	19	19	2							319
497	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	10	8	6				5				79
498	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	4	3	3								64
499	2nd Monday.....	12	13	12		4	1					256
500	3rd Tuesday.....	9	3	3	2	1		3				124



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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
501	aConnaught	Mimico	A. D. Norris	Geo. S. Brown
502	Coronation	Smithville	T. N. Vance	H. G. Parrott
503	aInwood	Inwood	A. E. Loosemore	W. R. Dawson
504	Otter	Lombardy	W. J. McSpadden	O. W. Wright
505	aLynden	Lynden	Edwin Dayman	Wm. A. Smith
506	aPorcupine	Porcupine	W. F. Richardson	Chas. McCaffrey
507	aElk Lake	Elk Lake	Fred. Kirk	Mark R. Morgan
508	aOzias	Brantford	T. H. Miller	F. W. Benedict
509	Twin City	Kitchener	A. M. Kerr	Geo. DeKleinhans
510	aParkdale	Toronto	F. G. Law	G. E. Buchanan
511	aConnaught	W. Fort William	E. G. Hunt	A. B. Evans
512	Malone	Sutton W.	H. A. Thompson	O. J. Silver
513	aCorinthian	Hamilton	J. W. Will	J. R. Croft
514	aSt. Alban's	Toronto	A. E. Covell	Garrett Frankland
515	aReba	Brantford	Sharp Riley	D. E. Russell
516	aEnterprise	Beachburg	Wm. G. Fisher	P. C. Creeggan
517	aHazeldean	Hazeldean	B. G. Grant	J. R. McGuire
518	aSioux Lookout	Sioux Lookout	W. T. Cameron	Lewis M. Beath
519	aOnondaga	Onondaga	M. N. Simpson	Arthur Barton
520	aCoronati	Toronto	P. B. Rapp	J. T. Stephenson
521	aOntario	Windsor	John D. Chick	J. R. Thomson
522	aMount Sinai	Toronto	J. J. DeYoung Greenb'rg	C. E. Garrard
523	aRoyal Arthur	Peterborough	W. R. Breyfogle	W. A. Logan
524	aMississauga	Port Credit	John E. Hall	W. H. Armes
525	aTemple	Toronto	Wm. M. Hamshaw	G. G. Elliott
526	aIonic	Westboro	F. W. Pooler	Thos. Saunders
527	aEspanola	Espanola	LeBaron Dibblee	J. W. Danby
528	aGolden Beaver	Timmins	W. W. White	W. R. Rinn
529	aMyra	Komoka	Peter Barber	J. H. Stuart
530	aCochrane	Cochrane	W. G. E. Robinson	T. Ayler
531	aHigh Park	Toronto	Wm. J. Moore	R. B. Magill
532	aCanada	Toronto	F. Busted	H. A. Miller
533	aShamrock	Toronto	A. Smith	H. J. Lamont
534	aEnglehart	Englehart	Alex. W. Skinner	Chas. Neal
535	aPhoenix	Fonthill	Chas. Fisher	G. H. Secord
536	aAlgonquin	Copper Cliff	Keith L. Newton	Jas. Hazleden
537	aUlster	Toronto	Jas. Chambers	S. Harvey
538	aEarl Kitchener	Port McNicoll	J. A. Davidson	Wm. Stephenson
539	aWaterloo	Waterloo	Herman Hass	A. H. Cochrane
540	aAbitibi	Iroquois Falls	Jas. R. Spence	Chas. Russell
541	aTuscan	Toronto	Adam A. Gray	S. J. Jackson
542	aMetropolitan	Toronto	Chas. L. Wilson	A. L. Tinker
543	aImperial	Toronto	J. J. Kiernan	Chas. S. Brooks
544	aLincoln	Abingdon	Seth Parker	Stanley Young
545	aJohn Ross Robertson	Toronto	W. T. Mills	G. C. Austin
546	aTalbot	St. Thomas	John T. McBain	W. A. McPherson
547	aVictory	Toronto	Chas. H. Collins	P. W. Rogers
548	aGeneral Mercer	Toronto	J. A. Copland	W. H. Miller
549	aIonic	Hamilton	Paul E. Lumsden	F. H. Nairn
550	aBuchanan	Hamilton	J. C. Springstead	Wm. Davies
551	aTuscan	Hamilton	Frank Hills	H. E. Warner
552	aQueen City	Toronto	F. A. Gibbons	W. B. Thompson
553	aOakwood	Toronto	W. W. Schoales	T. R. Tennant
554	aBorder Cities	Windsor	Rev. H. P. Westgate	E. T. Howe
555	aWardrope	Hamilton	John Forth	A. E. Wilcox
556	aNation	Spencerville	Jas. B. Jarrell	W. M. Snyder
557	aFinch	Finch	D. A. McNaughton	J. S. Stark
558	aSidney Albert Luke	Ottawa	Walter M. Ross	W. E. Hayes



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## Special Addresses of Secretaries

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Re-igned	Dead	Suspend. N. P. D.	Susper d U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members
501	2nd Thursday.....	41	49	51	8	2						197
502	Mon. on or bef. F. M. ....	4	4	3		1						69
503	Mon. on or bef. F. M. ....	4	4	3		1		1				72
504	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	2	2				1					36
505	Wed. on or bef. F. M. ....	1	2	4			1					79
506	1st Thursday.....	8	5	7	2			13				123
507	2nd Friday.....		2	1			1	2				84
508	3rd Tuesday.....	9	11		2		1		1			109
509	4th Friday.....	10	12	10	1							161
510	2nd Friday.....	8	9	15	1							181
511	3rd Monday.....	7	10	8	2	1						123
512	Wed. on or bef F. M. ....	8	9	14	1	1						102
513	4th Thursday.....	15	17	22	2	1		2				373
514	3rd Monday.....	31	28	29			1					340
515	2nd Friday.....	8	11	13	1			3				195
516	1st Monday.....	8	10	11								77
517	Wed. on or bef. F. M. ....	1	1	3								62
518	1st Monday.....	18	7	8	1						3	123
519	Last Friday.....											65
520	2nd Tuesday.....	28	39	26	2	3	2					319
521	1st Monday.....	22	25	9	1							273
522	2nd Tuesday.....	22	18	8	1							236
523	1st Monday.....	1	5	3			1					103
524	2nd Thursday.....	2	3	9		1						103
525	4th Tuesday.....	18	18	12	1							227
526	2nd Wednesday.....	4	3	6	1		2					157
527	1st Wednesday.....	6	6	5	3	1						68
528	2nd Wednesday.....	5	2	2	1	2		4				114
529	Mon. on or bef. F. M. ....	1	1	1		1						54
530	2nd Friday.....	11	5	3								81
531	3rd Thursday.....	43	29	29	9		1	1			1	469
532	1st Friday.....	22	19	25	4	2	1	3				254
533	3rd Tuesday.....	18	10	17	1	2		1				307
534	Mon. on or bef. F. M. ....	10	8	2		1	3					89
535	Mon. on or aft. F. M. ....	4	5	3	3		1					70
536	3rd Tuesday.....	6	3	3		3	2					79
537	1st Monday.....	29	38	39	6		2				1	374
538	Tue. on or bef. F. M. ....	2	2	1	1							58
539	1st Wednesday.....	5	6	6								92
540	3rd Friday.....	8	9	6	3	1	1					92
541	3rd Friday.....	23	28	29	3	4						344
542	4th Wednesday.....	7	10	7	1	3						113
543	4th Monday.....	21	17	14	1	1						187
544	Fri. on or bef. F. M. ....	3	5	3								48
545	3rd Tuesday.....	21	17	12		8	1					244
546	4th Thursday.....	14	16	28	2							183
547	2nd Wednesday.....	4	9	13								78
548	2nd Friday.....	17	34	16	1							148
549	1st Wednesday.....	22	13	16	3	1						90
550	1st Thursday.....	26	27	29	4	1	1					113
551	1st Thursday.....	31	17	15	7							162
552	1st Wednesday.....	39	26	17	9	2						187
553	2nd Monday.....	9	15	18	3							126
554	1st Saturday.....	13	15	5	2							68
555	4th Monday.....	28	26	26	6		1					147
556	1st Friday.....	3	2	2	2	1		1				39
557	Thur. or on bef. F. M. ....	6	5	9	6							59
558	2nd Wednesday.....	11	14	9	2							74

## RETURNS OF LODGES AS

See Pages 314—316 for List of

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on or near the Festival

The names of the W. M. and Secretary

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
559 a	Palestine.....	Toronto .....	E. J. Repath.....	Harry Melvin .....
560 a	St. Andrew's.....	Ottawa .....	Jas. Parrington.....	F. C. Baker.....
561 a	Acacia.....	Westboro' .....	Donald McEachern.....	A. P. McLennan.....
562 a	Hamilton.....	Hamilton.....	E. G. Dixon .....	D. R. Gibson.....
563 a	Victory.....	Chatham .....	C. E. Clements .....	M. M. Maxwell .....
564 a	Ashlar.....	Ottawa .....	D. A. Esdale.....	Wm. Short.....
565 a	Kilwinning.....	Toronto.....	Smith Shaw.....	Thos. Forsyth.....
566 a	King Hiram.....	Toronto.....	W. L. Abernethy.....	J. C. Bruce.....
567 a	St. Aidan's.....	Toronto.....	Horace Hardy.....	Robt. E. Mills.....
568 a	Hullett.....	Londesboro' .....	Thos. Sampson.....	John Fingland.....
569 a	Doric.....	Lakeside .....	W. H. Dunlop.....	F. G. Seaton.....
570 a	Dufferin.....	Toronto.....	Thos. A. Carson.....	I. H. Burns.....
571 a	Antiquity.....	Toronto.....	Jas. A. Spring.....	Jas. Herriot.....
572 a	Mizpah.....	Toronto.....	Thos. J. Bennett.....	T. J. Hackett.....
573 a	Adoniram.....	Niagara Falls.....	Chas. H. Stringer.....	H. M. Little.....
574 a	Craig.....	Ailsa Craig.....	Donald Gray.....	Geo. Walden.....
575 a	Fidelity.....	Toronto.....	Rev. G. H. Purchase.....	Geo. B. Crumb.....
576 a	Mimosa.....	Toronto.....	A. M. Heron.....	H. G. French .....
577 a	St. Clair.....	Toronto.....	F. G. I. Whetter.....	P. Back.....
578 a	Queen's.....	Kingston.....	W. T. Connell.....	E. W. Skinner.....
579 a	Harmony.....	Windsor.....	Chas. R. Tuson .....	R. D. Ferguson.....
580 a	Acacia.....	London.....	W. Lancaster.....	J. W. Plewes.....
581 a	Harcourt.....	Toronto.....	John M. Millar.....	A. D. Wilson.....
582 a	Sunnyside.....	Toronto.....	Rich. H. Dee.....	R. T. Hogg.....
583 a	Transportation.....	Toronto.....	John Boyd.....	H. R. Butterill .....
U.D. a	Kaministiquia.....	Fort William.....	S. B. Chamberlain.....	S. C. Read.....
U.D. a	Royal Edward.....	Kingston.....	Wm. Jackson.....	A. Shaw.....
U.D. a	War Veterans.....	Toronto.....	Geo. Ross.....	H. Davis.....
U.D. a	Patricia.....	Toronto .....	M. F. Smeall .....	W. F. Davidson.....

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559	4th Wednesday.....	15	24	23	3							79
560	2nd Saturday.....	12	22	15	1							105
561	4th Friday.....	3	4	4	1		1					48
562	2nd Monday.....	31	17	21	8							150
563	2nd Tuesday.....	34	30	24	3							121
564	1st Saturday.....	13	16									75
565	3rd Friday.....	40	61	41	9							121
566	1st Friday.....	29	31	18	5							78
567	3rd Friday.....	2	4	1	5							46
568	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	1	3	1								26
569	Tue. on or aft. F. M.....	10	10	4								44
570	1st Tuesday.....	15	4	2	52							67
571	3rd Wednesday.....	16	8		39							55
572	4th Thursday.....	64	59	28	57							121
573	3rd Monday.....				29							29
574	Thur. on or aft. F. M.....											
575	4th Thursday.....											
576	1st Monday.....											
577	1st Wednesday.....											
578	3rd Monday.....											
579	2nd Saturday.....											
580	2nd Saturday.....											
581	3rd Wednesday.....											
582	3rd Wednesday.....											
583	2nd Monday.....											
U.O.	1st Monday.....											
U.O.	4th Friday.....											
U.O.	1st Friday.....											
U.O.	2nd Wednesday.....											
		3,702	3,765	3,506	652	465	397	277	2	4	174	84,285

## P. O. ADDRESSES OF SECRETARIES

Special Addresses of Secretaries of Lodges in the Cities, and in other places where the Secretary's address is not the same as that of the Lodge.

No.	Lodge	Location	Secretary and P.O. Address
3	Ancient St. John's	Kingston	A. W. Cathcart, 217 Frontenac St.
5	Sussex	Brockville	T. H. Guest, 374 King St. W.
6	Barton	Hamilton	W. H. F. Wheately, 16 Market Sq.
11	Moir	Belleville	John Newton, 165 Ann St.
15	St. George's	St. Catharines	A. N. Lindsay, 18 Queen St.
16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	J. D. Keachie, 66 Asquith Ave.
20	St. John's	London	Rich. Booth, 230 Wellington St.
22	King Solomon's	Toronto	Don. Mackay, 100 Dundurn Ave
25	Ionic	Toronto	F. W. Scott, Osgoode Hall
27	Strict Observance	Hamilton	H. W. Linton, 68 Barnesdale Ave. S.
40	St. John's	Hamilton	B. L. Simpson, 94 Delaware Ave.
42	St. George's	London	A. Ellis, 506 Dufferin Ave.
43	King Solomon's	Woodstock	A. W. Massie, 717 Rathbourne Ave.
44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	F. W. Judd, 387 Talbot St.
45	Brant	Brantford	Geo. Whitwill, 149 Sheridan St.
47	Great Western	Windsor	John Fry, 522 Dougall Ave.
52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	H. W. Jackson, 25 Sparks St.
56	Victoria	Sarnia	H. W. Unsworth, 191 Front St.
57	Harmony	Binbrook	James D. Rose, Blackheath
58	Doric	Ottawa	J. A. Ross, Customs Dept.
61	Acacia	Hamilton	C. E. Kelly, 73 Melrose Ave.
64	K Iwinning	London	W. Lancaster, 15 Stanley St.
65	Rehoboam	Toronto	Geo. H. Mitchell, W.W. Dept., City Hall
72	Alma	Galt	A. J. Oliver, 45 James St.
74	St. James	S. Augusta	F. L. Bissell, Algonquin
75	St. John's	Toronto	T. H. Fitzpatrick, 248 N. Lisgar St.
76	Oxford	Woodstock	J. W. Dutton, 681 Dundas St.
86	Wilson	Toronto	Wm. A. Little, 17 Irene Ave.
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	John M. Campbell, 1166 Second Ave. W.
92	Cataraqui	Kingston	H. A. Graham, 382 Albert St.
101	Corinthian	Peterborough	C. E. Sisson, 455 Gilmour St.
103	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines	H. J. Johnstn, Inland Revenue Dept.
105	St. Mark's	Port Stanley	C. J. Didemus, Walnut St.
123	Belleville	Belleville	D. Barragar, 16 Holloway St.
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	H. A. Saunders, 112 Wiallim St. E.
144	Tecumseh	Stratford	F. S. Smith, 256 Downie St.
148	Civil Service	Ottawa	H. W. Lthrop, 424 McLeod St.
149	Erie	Port Dover	J. C. King, R.R. No. 3, Simcoe
151	Grand River	Kitchener	P. Fisher, 11 Elgin St.
155	Peterborough	Peterborough	D. D. Brown, 400 George St.
156	York	Toronto	W. E. Hofland, 415 1/2 Wellesley St.
171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Sta.	John C. Patterson, Iona Sta.
177	The Builders	Ottawa	H. H. Cairns, 409 Rideau St.
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	W. R. Henderson, R.R. No. 2, Bright
180	Speed	Guelph	T. E. Cotton, 26 Surrey St. W.
195	Tuscan	London	F. H. Greenlees, c/o Fraser & Moore
203	Irvine	Elora	R. D. Cardno, Salem
209a	St. John's	London	J. E. Keenleyside, 399 Richmond Street W.
218	Stevenson	Toronto	H. C. H. Corneil, 328 Seaton St.
231	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa	C. B. Patten, 519 Lyon St.
247	Ashlar	Toronto	Wm. H. Best, 106 Cottingham St
253	Minden	Kingston	J. R. Forster, 201 William St.
254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	Samuel Warren, 16 Huron St.
257	Galt	Galt	Robt. Clark, 42 Lansdowne Rd. S.
258	Guelph	Guelph	F. F. Sweetman, 394 Woolwich St.
264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	Thos. H. Hoare, 323 Waverly St.
267	Parthenon	Chatham	J. G. Martin, 23 Charteris St.
270	Cedar	Oshawa	Thos. Hawkes, 224 Mary St.
272	Seymour	Ancaster	Ernest McMullen, R.R. No. 1, Hamilton
296	Temple	St. Catharines	C. A. Brown, 150 1/2 St. Paul St.
299	Victoria	Centreville	H. A. Carscallen, Ente, prise
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	W. H. Stapleton, 12 Drake St.
309	Morning Star	Carlow	R. M. Young, R.R. No. 5, Godeich

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316	Doric	Toronto	J. H. Walterhouse, 316 St. Clarens Ave.
324	Temple	Hamilton	C. G. Stead, 14 Bank of Toronto Building.
326	Zetland	Toronto	J. H. Macabe, 58 Kendal Ave.
328	Ionic	Napier	W. L. Toohill, R.R. No. 3, Strathroy
330	Corinthian	London	H. J. Childs, 632 Dundas St.
332	Stratford	Stratford	E. Denroche, 185 Water St.
339	Orient	Toronto	W. E. Birrell, 130 Richmond St. W.
343	Georgina	Toronto	Geo. Thompson, 419 Brunswick Ave
345	Nilestown	Nilestown	Chas. Jackson, R.R. No. 1, Wilton Grove
346	Occident	Toronto	Wm. M. Williams, 26 Blantyre Ave.
357	Waterdown	Millgrove	G. F. Poole, R.R. No. 2, Dundas
361	Waverley	Guelph	Jos. A. Hewitt, 167 Eramosa Rd.
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	Geo. J. Stevenson, R.R. No. 4, Appin
367	St. George	Toronto	A. G. A. Nelson, 44 Mountview Ave
369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	H. Durrant, 420 Windermere Ave., West Toronto
371	Prince of Wales	Ottawa	A. E. Revell, 28 Euclid Ave.
378	King Solomon's	London	Wm. Nicholls, 175 Wharncliffe Rd.
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	Alex. Grant, R.R. No. 4, Ilderton
380	Union	London	Jos. Ward, 97 Tecumseh Ave.
382	Doric	Hamilton	Dr. C. V. Emory, Main & Walnut
384	Alpha	Toronto	E. J. Voss, 182 Galley Ave.
410	Zeta	Toronto	W. E. Robson, 179 Concord Ave.
415	Fort William	Fort William	J. A. Underhill, 429 S. Norah St.
419	Liberty	Sarnia	W. J. Alcock, 189 Euphemia St.
426	Stanley	Toronto	Wm. Harris, 190 Osler Ave.
430	Acacia	Toronto	R. G. Allan, 2497 Danforth Ave.
434	Algonquin	Emsdale	Jas. H. Metcalfe, Katrine Sta.
436	Burns	Hepworth	John Ewing, Shallow Lake
437	Tuscan	Sarnia	W. J. Barrie, 170 N. Christina St.
438	Harmony	Toronto	T. M. Kinsman, 1044 College St.
469	Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie	W. T. Scott, Tara Hall
473	The Beaches	Toronto	S. J. Manchester, 70 Edgewood Ave.
474	Victoria	Toronto	G. H. Cooper, 428 Brock Ave.
475	Dundurn	Hamilton	G. H. Lanigan, 281 York St.
481	Corinthian	Toronto	O. G. Stanyon, 6 Colborne St.
494	Riverdale	Toronto	J. W. Malcolm, 742 Logan Ave.
495	Electric	Hamilton	W. F. Montague, Drawer 349.
496	University	Toronto	P. W. Rogers, 441 Euclid Ave.
499	Port Arthur	Port Arthur	A. Rome, 123 Prospect Ave.
501	Connaught	Mimico	Geo. S. Brown, Box 34, Humber Bay
508	Ozias	Brantford	F. W. Benedict, City Hall
509	Twin City	Kitchener	Geo. DeKleinbans, 195 Queen St. S
510	Parkdale	Toronto	G. E. Buchanan, 15 Macdonell Ave.
511	Connaught	Fort William W.	A. B. Evans, 120 E. Fancis St.
513	Corinthian	Hamilton	J. R. Croft, 104 Burris St.
514	St. Alban's	Toronto	Garratt Frankland, 1096 Bathurst Street
517	Hazeldean	Hazeldean	J. R. McGuire, R.R. No. 1, Stittsville
519	Onondaga	Onondaga	Arthur Barton, R.R. No. 1, Cainsville
520	Coronati	Toronto	J. T. Stephenson, 49 Mariory St.
521	Ontario	Windsor	J. R. Thomson, Room 4, City Hall
522	Mt. Sinai	Toronto	C. E. Gairard, 53 Imperial Bank Building
523	Royal Arthur	Peterborough	W. A. Logan, 210 Macdonnell St.
524	Mississauga	Port Credit	Walter H. Armes, 25 Victor Ave., Mimico Beach
525	Temple	Toronto	G. G. Elliott, 2867 Dundas St.
526	Ionic	Westboro	Thos. Saunders, Woodroffe
531	High Park	Toronto	R. B. Magill, 538 W. Marion St.
532	Canada	Toronto	H. A. Miller, 74 Grant St.
533	Shamrock	Toronto	H. J. Lamont, 80 Curzon St.
537	Ulster	Toronto	S. Harvey, 78 Wineva Ave.
541	Tuscan	Toronto	S. J. Jackson, 897 Bloor St. W.
541	Metropolitan	Toronto	A. L. Tinker, 371 E. Eglinton Ave.
543	Imperial	Toronto	Chas. S. Brooks, 307 Avenue Road
544	Lincoln	Abingdon	Stanley Young, R.R. No. 1, Caistor Centre



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545	John Ross Robertson	Toronto	G. C. Austin, 146 Kenilworth Ave.
546	Talbot	St. Thomas	W. A. McPherson, 25 Alma Street
547	Victoria	Toronto	P. W. Rogers, 44 Euclid Ave.
548	General Mercer	Toronto	W. H. Miller, 37 Miller Ave.
549	Ionic	Hamilton	F. H. Nairn, 88 Fairholdt Rd. S.
550	Buchanan	Hamilton	Wm. Davies, Chedoke P.O.
551	Tuscan	Hamilton	H. E. Warner, 133 East Ave. N.
552	Queen City	Toronto	W. B. Thompson, 800 Pape Ave.
553	Oakwood	Toronto	T. R. Tennant, 21 Rosemount Ave.
554	Border Cities	Windsor	E. T. Howe, 829 London St. W.
555	Wardrope	Hamilton	A. E. Wilcox, 154 Hess St. S.
558	Sidney Albert Luke	Ottawa	W. E. Hayes, 333 James St.
559	Palestine	Toronto	Harry Melvin, 1403 Ossington Ave.
560	St. Andrew's	Ottawa	F. C. Baker, 76 Lewis St.
562	Hamilton	Hamilton	D. R. Gibson, 87 Sanford Ave. S.
564	Ashlar	Ottawa	Wm. Short, 58 Creighton St.
565	Kilwinning	Toronto	Thos. Forsyth, 34 Lincoln Ave.
566	King Hiram	Toronto	J. C. Bruce, 225 Pacific Ave.
567	St. Aidan's	Toronto	Robt. E. Mills, 58 Neville Park Bvd.
570	Dufferin	Toronto	I. H. Burns, 375 Brock Ave.
571	Antiquity	Toronto	Jas. Herriot, 913 Dovercourt Rd.
572	Mizpah	Toronto	T. J. Hackett, 178 Symington Ave.
573	Adoniram	Niagara Falls	H. M. Little, 502 Victoria Ave.
575	Fidelity	Toronto	Geo. B. Crumb, 152 Cowan Ave.
576	Mimosa	Toronto	H. G. French, 76 Jackman Ave.
577	St. Clair	Toronto	P. Back, 183 Grace St.
578	Queen's	Kingston	E. W. Skinner, 28 Garrett St.
579	Harmony	Windsor	R. D. Ferguson, 318 Victoria Ave.
580	Acacia	London	J. W. Plewes, 784 Wellington St.
581	Harcourt	Toronto	A. D. Wilson, 506 Empire Bldg.
582	Sunnyside	Toronto	R. T. Hogg, 71 Lindsay Ave.
583	Transportation	Toronto	H. R. Butterill, 286 Wright Ave.

# LIST OF LODGES—BY DISTRICTS

## ERIE DISTRICT No. 1 (19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. John Davidson, Chatham

No. 34—Thistle.....Amherstburg	No. 413—Naphtali.....Tilbury
No. 41—St. George's.....Kingsville	No. 448—Xenophon.....Wheatley
No. 46—Wellington.....Chatham	No. 457—Century.....Merlin
No. 47—Great Western.....Windsor	No. 488—King Edward.....Harrow
No. 267—Parthenon.....Chatham	No. 500—Rose.....Windsor
No. 274—Kent.....Blenheim	No. 521—Ontario.....Windsor
No. 290—Leamington.....Leamington	No. 554—Border Cities.....Windsor
No. 395—Parvaim.....Comber	No. 563—Victory.....Chatham
No. 402—Central.....Essex	No. 579—Harmony.....Windsor
No. 403—Windsor.....Windsor	

## ERIE DISTRICT No. 1a (19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. A. Ryckman, St Thomas

No. 44—St. Thomas.....St. Thomas	No. 327—Hammond.....Wardsville
No. 94—St. Mark's.....Port Stanley	No. 336—Highgate.....Highgate
No. 120—Warren.....Fingal	No. 364—Dufferin.....Melbourne
No. 140—Malahide.....Aylmer	No. 386—McColl.....West Lorne
No. 171—Prince of Wales, Lawrence St.	No. 390—Florence.....Florence
No. 232—Cameron.....Dutton	No. 391—Howard.....Ridgetown
No. 245—Tecumseh.....Thamesville	No. 411—Rodney.....Rodney
No. 255—Sydenham.....Dresden	No. 422—Star of the East.....Bothwell
No. 282—Lorne.....Glencoe	No. 546—Talbot.....St. Thomas
No. 302—St. David's.....St. Thomas	

## ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2 (21 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. W. R. Dawson, Inwood

No. 56—Victoria.....Sarnia	No. 307—Arkona.....Arkona
No. 81—St. John's.....Mt. Brydges	No. 312—Pnyx.....Wallaceburg
No. 83—Beaver.....Strathroy	No. 323—Alvinston.....Alvinston
No. 116—Cassia.....Thedford	No. 328—Ionic.....Napier
No. 153—Burns.....Wyoming	No. 392—Huron.....Camlachie
No. 158—Alexandra.....Oil Springs	No. 397—Leopold.....Brigden
No. 194—Petrolia.....Petrolia	No. 419—Liberty.....Sarnia
No. 238—Havelock.....Watford	No. 425—St. Clair.....Sombrá
No. 260—Washington.....Petrolia	No. 437—Tuscan.....Sarnia
No. 263—Forest.....Forest	No. 503—Inwood.....Inwood
No. 294—Moore.....Courtright	

## LONDON DISTRICT No. 3 (21 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. W. C. Moore, Belmont

No. 20—St. John's.....London	No. 345—Nilestown.....Nilestown
No. 42—St. George's.....London	No. 358—Delaware Valley.....Delaware
No. 64—Kilwinning.....London	No. 378—King Solomon's.....London
No. 107—St. Paul's.....Lambeth	No. 379—Middlesex.....Bryanston
No. 190—Belmont.....Belmont	No. 380—Union.....London
No. 195—Tuscan.....London	No. 388—Henderson.....Ilderton
No. 209a—St. John's.....London	No. 394—King Solomon.....Thamesford
No. 289—Doric.....Lobo	No. 399—Moffatt.....Harrietsville
No. 300—Mount Olivet.....Thorndale	No. 529—Myra.....Komoka
No. 330—Corinthian.....London	No. 580—Acacia.....London
No. 344—Merrill.....Dorchester Sta	

## SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4 (19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Isaac Hetherington, Shepparton

No. 33—Maitland.....Goderich	No. 303—Blyth.....Blyth
No. 73—St. James.....St. Mary's	No. 309—Morning Star.....Carlow
No. 84—Clinton.....Clinton	No. 332—Stratford.....Stratford
No. 133—Lebanon Forest.....Exeter	No. 456—Elma.....Monkton
No. 141—Tudor.....Mitchell	No. 478—Milverton.....Milverton
No. 144—Tecumseh.....Stratford	No. 483—Granton.....Grantk.
No. 154—Irving.....Lucan	No. 493—St. Marys.....St. Marys
No. 170—Britannia.....Seaforth	No. 568—Hullett.....Londesboro
No. 224—Zurich.....Hensall	No. 574—Craig.....Ailsa Craig
No. 233—Doric.....Parkhill	

## NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5 (10 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Thos. Blackmore, Listowel

No. 93—Northern Light.....Kincardine	No. 284—St. John's.....Brussels
No. 162—Forest.....Wroxeter	No. 286—Wingham.....Wingham
No. 184—Old Light.....Lucknow	No. 314—Blair.....Palmerston
No. 225—Bernard.....Listowel	No. 331—Fordwich.....Fordwich
No. 276—Teeswater.....Teeswater	No. 341—Bruce.....Tiverton

## WILSON DISTRICT No. 6 (19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. R. B. Hutt, Ingersoll

No. 10—Norfolk.....Simcoe	No. 178—Plattsville.....Plattsville
No. 37—King Hiram.....Ingersoll	No. 181—Oriental.....Port Burwell
No. 43—King Solomon's.....Woodstock	No. 217—Frederick.....Delhi
No. 68—St. John's.....Ingersoll	No. 237—Vienna.....Vienna
No. 76—Oxford.....Woodstock	No. 250—Thistle.....Embro
No. 78—King Hiram.....Tillsonburg	No. 259—Springfield.....Springfield
No. 104—St. John's.....Norwich	No. 261—Oak Branch.....Innerkip
No. 108—Blenheim.....Princeton	No. 359—Vittoria.....Vittoria
No. 149—Erie.....Port Dover	No. 569—Doric.....Lakeside
No. 174—Walsingham.....Port Rowan	

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7 (18 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. H. C. Edgar, Preston

No. 72—Alma.....Galt	No. 279—New Hope.....Hespeler
No. 151—Grand River.....Kitchener	No. 295—Conestogo.....Drayton
No. 172—Ayr.....Ayr	No. 297—Preston.....Preston
No. 180—Speed.....Guelph	No. 318—Wilmot.....Baden
No. 203—Irvine.....Elora	No. 321—Walker.....Acton
No. 205—New Dom'ion.....New Hambrg	No. 347—Mercer.....Fergus
No. 219—Credit.....Georgetown	No. 361—Waverley.....Guelph
No. 257—Galt.....Galt	No. 509—Twin City.....Kitchener
No. 258—Guelph.....Guelph	No. 539—Waterloo.....Waterloo

## HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8 (26 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. C. E. Kelly, Hamilton

No. 6—The Barton.....Hamilton	No. 324—Temple.....Hamilton
No. 27—Strict Observance.....Hamilton	No. 357—Waterdown.....Millgrove
No. 40—St. John's.....Hamilton	No. 382—Doric.....Hamilton
No. 57—Harmony.....Binbrook	No. 400—Oakville.....Oakville
No. 61—Acacia.....Hamilton	No. 475—Dundurn.....Hamilton
No. 62—St. Andrew's.....Caledonia	No. 495—Electric.....Hamilton
No. 100—Valley.....Dundas	No. 513—Corinthian.....Hamilton
No. 135—St. Clair.....Milton	No. 544—Lincoln.....Abingdon
No. 165—Burlington.....Burlington	No. 549—Ionic.....Hamilton
No. 166—Wentworth.....Stoney Creek	No. 550—Buchanan.....Hamilton
No. 185—Enniskillen.....York	No. 551—Tuscan.....Hamilton
No. 272—Seymour.....Ancaster	No. 555—Wardrobe.....Hamilton
No. 291—Dufferin.....W. Flamboro	No. 562—Hamilton.....Hamilton

## GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9 (19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. M.S. Keller, Midland

No. 90—Manito.....Collingwood	No. 304—Minerva.....Stroud
No. 96—Corinthian.....Barr e	No. 348—Georgian.....Penetanguishene
No. 137—Pythagoras.....Meaford	No. 385—Spry.....Beeton
No. 192—Orillia.....Orillia	No. 444—Nitetis.....Creemore
No. 230—Kerr.....Barr e	No. 466—Coronat on.....Elmvale
No. 234—Beaver.....Clarksburg	No. 467—Tottenham.....Tottenham
No. 236—Manitoba.....Cookstown	No. 470—Victoria.....Victoria Harbour
No. 249—Caledonia.....Midland	No. 492—Karnak.....Coldwater
No. 266—Northern Light.....Stayner	No. 538—Earl Kitchener, Ft. McNicoll
No. 285—Seven Star.....Alliston	

## NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10 (21 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. C. Lymburner, Niagara Falls

No. 2—Niagara.....	Niagara	No. 277—Seymour.....	Port Dalhousie
No. 7—Union.....	Grimsby	No. 296—Temple.....	St. Catharines
No. 15—St. George's.....	St. Catharines	No. 337—Myrtle.....	Port Robinson
No. 32—Amity.....	Dunnville	No. 338—Dufferin.....	Wellandport
No. 103—Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines	No. 372—Palmer.....	Bridgeburg
No. 105—St. Mark's.....	Niagara Falls	No. 373—Copestone.....	Welland
No. 115—Ivy.....	Beamsville	No. 471—King Edward VII, Chippawa	
No. 168—Merritt.....	Welland	No. 502—Coronation.....	Smithville
No. 169—Macnab.....	Port Colborne	No. 535—Phoenix.....	Fonthill
No. 221—Mountain.....	Thorold	No. 573—Adoniram.....	Niagara Falls
No. 254—Clifton.....	Niagara Falls		

## TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 11 (31 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, Toronto

No. 98—True Blue.....	Bolton	No. 522—Mount Sinai.....	Toronto
No. 229—Ionic.....	Brampton	No. 524—Mississauga.....	Port Credit
No. 305—Humber.....	Weston	No. 525—Temple.....	Toronto
No. 311—Blackwood.....	Woodbridge	No. 531—High Park.....	Toronto
No. 346—Occident.....	Toronto	No. 533—Shamrock.....	Toronto
No. 356—River Park.....	Streetsville	No. 537—Ulster.....	Toronto
No. 367—St. George.....	Toronto	No. 541—Tuscan.....	Toronto
No. 369—Mimico.....	Lambton Mills	No. 548—General Mercer.....	Toronto
No. 384—Alpha.....	Toronto	No. 565—Kilwinning.....	Toronto
No. 410—Zeta.....	Toronto	No. 566—King Hiram.....	Toronto
No. 426—Stanley.....	Toronto	No. 572—Mizpah.....	Toronto
No. 468—Peel.....	Caledon East	No. 575—Fidelity.....	Toronto
No. 474—Victoria.....	Toronto	No. 582—Sunnyside.....	Toronto
No. 496—University.....	Toronto	No. 583—Transportation.....	Toronto
No. 501—Connaught.....	Mimico	U. D. —Patricia.....	Toronto
No. 510—Parkdale.....	Toronto		

## TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11a (25 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. G. L. Gardiner, Toronto

No. 16—St. Andrew's.....	Toronto	No. 430—Acacia.....	Toronto
No. 25—Ionic.....	Toronto	No. 464—King Edward.....	Sunderland
No. 75—St. John's.....	Toronto	No. 473—The Beaches.....	Toronto
No. 87—Markham Union.....	Markham	No. 494—Riverdale.....	Toronto
No. 136—Richardson.....	Stouffville	No. 520—Coronati.....	Toronto
No. 218—Stevenson.....	Toronto	No. 532—Canada.....	Toronto
No. 220—Zeredatha.....	Uxbridge	No. 543—Imperial.....	Toronto
No. 269—Brougham Union.....	Claremont	No. 545—John R. Robertson.....	Toronto
No. 316—Doric.....	Toronto	No. 547—Victory.....	Toronto
No. 339—Orient.....	Toronto	No. 552—Queen City.....	Toronto
No. 343—Georgina.....	Toronto	No. 567—St. Aidan's.....	Toronto
No. 354—Brock.....	Cannington	No. 576—Mimosa.....	Toronto
No. 424—Doric.....	Pickering		

## TORONTO CENTRE DISTRICT No. 11b (27 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. H. Dunlop, Richmond Hill

No. 22—King Solomon's.....	Toronto	No. 326—Zetland.....	Toronto
No. 23—Richmond.....	Richmond Hill	No. 438—Harmony.....	Toronto
No. 54—Vaughan.....	Maple	No. 481—Corinthian.....	Toronto
No. 65—Rehoboam.....	Toronto	No. 512—Malene.....	Sutton West
No. 79—Simcoe.....	Bradford	No. 514—St. Alban's.....	Toronto
No. 86—Wilson.....	Toronto	No. 542—Metropolitan.....	Toronto
No. 97—Sharon.....	Queensville	No. 553—Oakwood.....	Toronto
No. 99—Tuscan.....	Newmarket	No. 559—Palestine.....	Toronto
No. 118—Union.....	Schomberg	No. 570—Dufferin.....	Toronto
No. 129—Rising Sun.....	Aurora	No. 571—Antiquity.....	Toronto
No. 156—York.....	Toronto	No. 577—St. Clair.....	Toronto
No. 247—Ashlar.....	Toronto	No. 581—Harcourt.....	Toronto
No. 265—Patterson.....	Thornhill	U. D. —War Veterans.....	Toronto
No. 292—Robertson.....	King		

## ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12 (17 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. T. George, Port Hope

No. 17—St. John's.....	Cobourg	No. 145—J. B. Hall.....	Millbrook
No. 26—Ontario.....	Port Hope	No. 161—Percy.....	Warkworth
No. 30—Composite.....	Whitby	No. 223—Norwood.....	Norwood
No. 31—Jerusalem.....	Bowmanville	No. 270—Cedar.....	Oshawa
No. 39—Mount Zion.....	Brooklin	No. 325—Orono.....	Orono
No. 66—Durham.....	Newcastle	No. 374—Keene.....	Keene
No. 91—Colborne.....	Colborne	No. 428—Fidelity.....	Port Perry
No. 114—Hope.....	Port Hope	No. 435—Havelock.....	Havelock
No. 139—Lebanon.....	Oshawa		

## PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13 (17 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. M. K. Adams, Picton

No. 11—Moirs.....	Belleville	No. 127—Frank.....	Frankford
No. 18—Prince Edward.....	Picton	No. 164—Star in the East.....	Wellington
No. 29—United.....	Brighton	No. 215—Lake.....	Ameliasburg
No. 38—Trent.....	Trenton	No. 222—Marmora.....	Marmora
No. 48—Madoc.....	Madoc	No. 239—Tweed.....	Tweed
No. 50—Consecon.....	Consecon	No. 283—Eureka.....	Belleville
No. 69—Stirling.....	Stirling	No. 401—Craig.....	Deseronto
No. 123—Belleville.....	Belleville	No. 482—Bancroft.....	Bancroft
No. 126—Golden Rule.....	Campbellford		

## FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14 (17 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. P. H. Burke, Kingston

No. 3—Ancient St. John's.....	Kingston	No. 253—Minden.....	Kingston
No. 9—Union.....	Napanee	No. 299—Victoria.....	Centreville
No. 92—Cataraqui.....	Kingston	No. 404—Lorne.....	Tamworth
No. 109—Albion.....	Harrowsmith	No. 441—Westport.....	Westport
No. 119—Maple Leaf.....	Bath	No. 460—Rideau.....	Seeley's Bay
No. 146—Prince of Wales.....	Newburgh	No. 497—St. Andrew's.....	Arden
No. 157—Simpson.....	Newboro	No. 578—Queen's.....	Kingston
No. 201—Leeds.....	Gananoque	U. D. —Royal Edward.....	Kingston
No. 228—Prince Arthur.....	Odessa		

## ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15 (17 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. A. Fleming, Prescott

No. 5—Sussex.....	Brockville	No. 368—Salem.....	Brockville
No. 14—True Britons.....	Perth	No. 370—Harmony.....	Delta
No. 24—St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls	No. 387—Lansdowne.....	Lansdowne
No. 28—Mount Zion.....	Kemptville	No. 389—Crystal F'tain, N. Augusta	N. Augusta
No. 55—Merrickville.....	Merrickville	No. 416—Lyn.....	Lyn
No. 74—St. James.....	South Augusta	No. 489—Osiris.....	Smith's Falls
No. 85—Rising Sun.....	Athens	No. 504—Otter.....	Lombardy
No. 110—Central.....	Prescott	No. 556—Nation.....	Spencerville
No. 242—Macoy.....	Mallorytown		

## OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16 (26 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. M. R. MacFarlane, Almonte

No. 52—Dalhousie.....	Ottawa	No. 371—Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa
No. 58—Doric.....	Ottawa	No. 433—Bonnechere.....	Eganville
No. 63—St. John's.....	Carlton Place	No. 459—Cobden.....	Cobden
No. 122—Renfrew.....	Renfrew	No. 465—Carleton.....	Carp
No. 128—Pembroke.....	Pembroke	No. 476—Corinthian.....	North Gower
No. 147—Mississippi.....	Almonte	No. 479—Russell.....	Russell
No. 148—Civil Service.....	Ottawa	No. 516—Enterprise.....	Beachburg
No. 159—Goodwood.....	Richmond	No. 517—Hazeldean.....	Hazeldean
No. 177—The Builders.....	Ottawa	No. 526—Ionic.....	Westboro
No. 196—Madawaska.....	Arnprior	No. 558—Sidney Albert Luke.....	Ottawa
No. 209—Evergreen.....	Lanark	No. 560—St. Andrew's.....	Ottawa
No. 231—Lodge of Fidelity.....	Ottawa	No. 561—Acacia.....	Westboro'
No. 264—Chaudiere.....	Ottawa	No. 564—Ashlar.....	Ottawa



**ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17 (13 Lodges)****D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. W. Walker, Fort Frances**

No. 287—Shuniah.....	Port Arthur	No. 461—Ionic.....	Rainy River
No. 414—Pequonga.....	Kenora	No. 484—Golden Star.....	Dryden
No. 415—Fort William.....	Fort William	No. 499—Port Arthur.....	Port Arthur
No. 417—Keewatin.....	Keewatin	No. 511—Connaught..W.	Fort William
No. 445—Lake of the Woods.....	Kenora	No. 518—Sioux Lookout,	Sioux Look't
No. 446—Granite.....	Fort Frances	U. D. —Kaministiquia..	Fort William
No. 453—Royal.....	Fort William		

**NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18 (12 Lodges)****D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. H. J. Moorehouse, Sault Ste. Marie**

No. 405—Mattawa.....	Mattawa	No. 455—Doric.....	Little Current
No. 412—Keystone.....	Sault Ste. Marie	No. 469—Algoma.....	Sault Ste. Marie
No. 420—Nipissing.....	North Bay	No. 472—Gore Bay.....	Gore Bay
No. 427—Nickel.....	Sudbury	No. 487—Penewobikong.....	Blind River
No. 442—Dymont.....	Thessalon	No. 527—Espanola.....	Espanola
No. 447—Sturgeon Falls..	St'rg'n Falls	No. 536—Algonquin.....	Copper Cliff

**MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19 (8 Lodges)****D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. T. J. Williams, Powassan**

No. 352—Granite.....	Parry Sound	No. 423—Strong.....	Sundridge
No. 360—Muskoka.....	Bracebridge	No. 434—Algonquin.....	Emsdale
No. 376—Unity.....	Huntsville	No. 443—Powassan.....	Powassan
No. 409—Golden Rule.....	Gravenhurst	No. 454—Corona.....	Burk's Falls

**VICTORIA DISTRICT No. 20 (15 Lodges)****D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. A. E. Bottum, Bobcaygeon**

No. 77—Faithful Brethren.....	Lindsay	No. 408—Murray.....	Beaverton
No. 101—Corinthian.....	Peterborough	No. 440—Arcadia.....	Minden
No. 155—Peterborough,	Peterborough	No. 451—Someville.....	Kinmount
No. 268—Verulam.....	Bobcaygeon	No. 463—North Entrance..	Haliburton
No. 313—Clement.....	Lakefield	No. 477—Harding.....	Woodville
No. 375—Lorne.....	Omeme	No. 498—K ng George V.....	Coboconk
No. 398—Victoria.....	Kirkfield	No. 523—Royal Arthur..	Peterborough
No. 406—Spry.....	Fenelon Falls		

**EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21 (17 Lodges)****D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. D. A. McNaughton, Finch**

No. 21a—St. Johns.....	Vankleek Hill	No. 418—Maxville.....	Maxville
No. 125—Cornwall.....	Cornwall	No. 439—Alexandria.....	Alexandria
No. 142—E celsior.....	Motrisburg	No. 450—Hawkesbury.....	Hawkesbury
No. 143—Friendly Brothers.....	Iroquois	No. 452—Avonmore.....	Avonmore
No. 186—Plantagenet.....	Riceville	No. 458—Wales.....	Wales
No. 207—Lancaster.....	Lancaster	No. 480—Williamsburg,	Williamsburg
No. 256—Farran's Point.....	Aultsville	No. 491—Cardinal.....	Cardinal
No. 320—Chesterville.....	Chesterville	No. 557—Finch.....	Finch
No. 383—Henderson.....	Winchester		

**TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 22 (9 Lodges)****D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. R. LeHeup, Haileybury**

No. 462—Temiskaming, New	Lisheard	No. 528—Golden Beaver.....	Timmins
No. 485—Haileybury.....	Haileybury	No. 530—Cochrane.....	Cochrane
No. 486—Silver.....	Cobalt	No. 534—Englehart.....	Englehart
No. 506—Porcupine.....	Porcupine	No. 540—Abitibi.....	Iroquois Falls
No. 507—Elk Lake.....	Elk Lake		

**BRANT DISTRICT No. 23 (14 Lodges)**

**D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. McNeilly, St. George**

No. 35—St. John's.....Cayuga	No. 243—St. George.....St. George
No. 45—Biant.....Brantford	No. 319—Hiram.....Hagersville
No. 82—St. John's.....Paris	No. 329—King Solomon.....Jarvis
No. 106—Burford.....Burford	No. 505—Lynden.....Lynden
No. 113—Wilson.....Waterford	No. 508—Ozias.....Brantford
No. 121—Doric.....Brantford	No. 515—Reba.....Brantford
No. 193—Scotland.....Scotland	No. 519—Onondaga.....Onondaga

**BRUCE DISTRICT No. 24 (12 Lodges)**

**D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. P. J. Scott, Southampton**

No. 131—St. Lawrence.....Southampton	No. 393—Forest.....Chesley
No. 197—Saugeen.....Walkerton	No. 396—Cedar.....Warton
No. 235—Aldworth.....Paisley	No. 429—Port Elgin.....Pt. Elgin
No. 262—Harriston.....Harriston	No. 431—Moravian.....Cargill
No. 315—Clifford.....Clifford	No. 432—Hanover.....Hanover
No. 362—Maple Leaf.....Tara	No. 436—Burns.....Hepworth

**GREY DISTRICT No. 25 (12 Lodges)**

**D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. F. Grant, Durham**

No. 88—St. George's.....Owen Sound	No. 333—Prince Arthur.....Flesherton
No. 200—St. Alban's.....Mount Forest	No. 334—Prince Arthur.....Arthur
No. 216—Harris.....Orangeville	No. 377—Lorne.....Shelburne
No. 271—Wellington.....Erin	No. 421—Scott.....Grand Valley
No. 306—Durham.....Durham	No. 449—Dundalk.....Dundalk
No. 322—North Star.....Owen Sound	No. 490—H ram.....Markdale

**RECAPITULATION**

No. 1—Erie District.....	19 Lodges
No. 1a—Erie District.....	19 Lodges
No. 2—St. Clair District.....	21 Lodges
No. 3—London District.....	21 Lodges
No. 4—South Huron District.....	19 Lodges
No. 5—North Huron District.....	10 Lodges
No. 6—Wilsen District.....	19 Lodges
No. 7—Wellington District.....	18 Lodges
No. 8—Hamilton District.....	26 Lodges
No. 9—Georgian District.....	19 Lodges
No. 10—Niagara District.....	21 Lodges
No. 11—Toronto West District.....	31 Lodges
No. 11a—Toronto East District.....	25 Lodges
No. 11b—Toronto Centre District.....	27 Lodges
No. 12—Ontario District.....	17 Lodges
No. 13—Prince Edward District.....	17 Lodges
No. 14—Frontenac District.....	17 Lodges
No. 15—St. Lawrence District.....	17 Lodges
No. 16—Ottawa District.....	26 Lodges
No. 17—Algoma District.....	13 Lodges
No. 18—Nipissing District.....	12 Lodges
No. 19—Muskoka District.....	8 Lodges
No. 20—Victoria District.....	15 Lodges
No. 21—Eastern District.....	17 Lodges
No. 22—Temiskaming District.....	9 Lodges
No. 23—Brant District.....	14 Lodges
No. 24—Bruce District.....	12 Lodges
No. 25—Grey District.....	12 Lodges

## SUSPENSIONS

2—H. E. Pembroke, G. Monro, W. H. Fisher. 5—J. A. Cook. 14—F. Henderson, G. Groom, J. H. Mendels. 15—O. W. Foulds, H. Harper, C. G. McDermott. 16—F. E. Kerr, H. H. Phillips, S. Skillen, D. K. Ridout, F. J. Stanley, T. D. A. Tripp, T. V. U. Williams, F. H. Wehrley. 17—H. W. Laird, W. H. Penwarden, J. R. Irwin, E. E. Grenier, N. S. Reeson. 22—H. N. Ellis, A. Hall, W. Henderson, A. Hutchinson, J. A. Quarrington, A. H. Smith. 28—E. Code. 37—J. R. Saunders. 42—H. Barkwell, J. W. Young, E. H. Stewart. 43—F. H. Cookson, J. H. Virtue, G. W. Weaver, T. H. Weaver, W. Walker, A. W. Harwood, T. D. Brown, F. Shelton, E. Stoakes, T. McAdam, J. B. Sproat, J. Paul, G. W. Bard, A. W. Irving. 44—F. H. Brewster, A. J. Bennett. 46—R. T. Asher. 48—A. Milne, R. Stout, K. Wilson, J. A. Caskey, J. M. Collins, P. S. McCaffrey, W. J. Atkins, G. H. Laundry. 50—E. F. Gamble. 54—A. O. Smith, R. W. T. Kirby, D. Johnston, R. B. Orr, E. Sisby. 61—J. W. Gathercole, F. L. Britton. 64—C. Pryce. 73—W. A. McNeil, W. H. Pullyplank, J. W. Stewart. 76—W. A. McLeod, H. Overton, J. F. Pratt, J. W. Pringle, J. W. Richards, J. E. Sharman. 82—W. G. Hancock. 83—J. J. Smith. 90—R. P. Dey, W. J. McQuade. 119—C. F. Scott, J. A. Clute. 121—J. G. Collington. 133—T. Hawkins. 144—B. Nicholson, W. E. Ocock, W. Wilson. 147—H. H. Connery. 148—F. R. Burgess. 159—J. Stewart, H. Benson, T. A. Hendry. 168—W. L. Prior. 169—O. Schnellor, H. Marshall, O. T. Miner. 186—C. J. Devine, H. H. Metcalfe, A. A. Fraser, J. R. Binks. 194—W. F. Fowler. 209A—T. Houghton. 216—W. A. Collister, F. W. Rayfield. 220—A. F. Bradshaw, H. J. Boyd, J. Collett. 228—A. Close, A. P. S. Donaldson. 236—J. E. Duff, H. C. Black. 247—E. Anderson, W. H. Davies, S. B. Dawson, P. S. Maule, B. G. Morgan, J. Nagle, W. Paterson, A. J. Perry. 249—P. Stewart, J. M. Watt, C. M. Brown. 254—J. F. Cain, 258—A. Vass. 260—J. A. Johnson. 267—E. E. Wing, D. D. Hanley. 272—G. Morton. 287—W. G. Bates, N. Stevens. 299—S. H. Ruttan, A. E. Smith, E. J. Wagar, J. H. Milligan. 316—G. H. Honsberger, R. E. Meade, E. R. Switzer, T. Walker. 323—W. Morrison, C. F. Misner. 330—W. Dann, G. H. Zwicker, P. Hird, W. L. Aspden, R. Burgess, C. C. Jones, A. F. Bryant, A. J. Kelley. 339—W. H. Charlton. 345—W. Chassor. 361—E. B. Darragh, A. Eastham, W. McIntyre, E. A. Heatly, E. H. Darling, G. H. Brennan, E. Willard. 364—J. G. Moncrieff, F. L. Williams, H. C. Ferguson. 369—W. J. Coulter, R. B. Johnston, J. W. Wormald. 373—J. Craig, M. J. O'Brien, I. H. Lampman. 374—M. E. Parks. 379—A. G. Needham, A. Reith. 380—E. Gardener, A. Burness, J. Beadman, C. Lethbridge, J. I. Harris, J. C. Fletcher. 383—W. J. Laflamme. 384. R. J. Coley, F. W. Bland, A. Devitt. 389—W. W. Ballagh. 395—A. P. Wragg, I. Burke, R. J. Rowe, C. Geddes. 403—W. F. Stadgell, R. L. Anderson, 404—W. A. Fuller, P. Brown, J. W. Hawley. 412—R. McPhee, W. R. Smith, I. M. Roberts. 415—E. A. Lodge, G. Pratt, T. Hunter, E. A. McMillan. 424—A. Samers. 425—J. O. Cornwall, A. E. May, C. C. Thomas, J. W. Thompson. 426—C. Harrington, W. F. Monk, W. E. McKittrick, A. Rodger. 429—C. Scott. 430—R. Needham, P. Osborne, M. Prest, A. L. Connor, H. E. G. Watson. 454—C. Ross. 470—J. H. Dowkes, H. H. Kellar, R. McFarlane, T. L. Ripley. 475—C. Thompson, R. W. Fawcett, C. O. Pilgrim, F. Fennell, W. C. McDonald, E. H. Jones, W. E. Foley, F. V. Watcher, F. A. Bottomley, W. Forrester, J. C. Jeremiah, N. Freeman, J. Kilpatrick, W. N. Parmenter. 481—A. McNair, C. E. Dashwood, O. L. Gardiner, A. E. Cornelius, H. A. Hoover. 494—W. Hall, W. Marchington, H. H. Armstrong, F. J. Rowley. 495—T. Halford. 497—D. V. McGregor, M. Halliday, J. Heatherington, L. E. Gendron, H. M. Buell. 500—W. A. Crane, H. St. C. Murry, H. L. Pratt. 503—W. D. Thrower. 506—N. McDonald, A. G. Brough, J. M. Hadwen, S. Laub, E. H. York, G. Hersey, H. L. Travers, G. Mewsome, G. Preston, J. C. Watson, T. M. Wilson, H. L. Douglas, H. E. Cusworth. 507—H. S. Michie, E. C. Holton. 508—E. Jameson. 513—C. H. Bolster, T. B. Macpherson. 515—A. A. Wettstein, A. M. Montz, J. H. Kellett. 528—J. L. Hewitt, K. C. G. Dreyer, P. R. Hughes, D. F. Clark. 531—W. E. Davies. 532—E. A. Greenwood, G. H. Walters, R. C. Manning. 533—H. R. G. Watson. 556—H. M. Duff. 6—W. J. Griffith. 410—B. Brodziak.

## DEATHS YEAR ENDING DEC. 1920

2—B. P. St. John, Oct. 2; 3—T. McAully, Oct. 23; J. C. Gwillim, Aug. 19; R. G. Richardson, Dec. 3; 5—G. B. Murray, July 15; J. A. Poulton, Sept. 22; E. T. Smith, Dec. 16; D. J. D. Campbell, May 8. 6—R. Cruickshanks, Nov. 13, R. Graham, Dec. 16; 10—J. T. Price, Sep. 29; 11—S. E. Lennox, June, 26; B. F. Fieldhouse, July 29; F. Robinson, July 29; R. Turner, Aug. 24; A. J. Jones, Oct. 2; 14—G. Oliver, June 20; C. E. Rogers, Aug. 3; G. H. McDonald, Aug. 16; W. L. Campbell, Nov. 24; 16—J. E. Anderson, July 28; J. Johnson, Nov. 13; H. W. Curtis, Oct. 28; 17—J. A. J. Leitch, Nov. 7; D. O. Denton, Dec. 15; W. Troop, Dec. 15; W. Henderson, Dec. 31; 18—A. Lighthall, Sep. 16; 20—G. Elliott, July, 1; J. Robertson, Nov., 30; 21A—H. C. Jones, March, 5; S. A. Appleby, Nov. 12; 23—G. Leck, Oct. 21; 24—C. Nicholas, Nov. 1; A. O. Shaver, Dec. 13; 25—R. A. Robinson, July 15; J. A. M. Alley, April 2;

27—C. Armstrong,, Nov. 7 J. A. Bruce, June 28; H. Jones, July 29; W. S. Morgan Oct. 18; J. H. Quarry, Oct. 18; G. A. Willis, July 22; 28—A. G. Lindsay, Sep. 26; J. Thompson, Dec. 17; —29 O. W. Maybee, Oct. 23; 30—P. Matheson, Sep. 23; G. Y. Smith, Sep. 2; 31—J. H. McMurtty, July 28; H. Greenlees, Sep. 2; W. E. Jewell, Oct. 25; 32—P. I. Sime, Aug. 11; A. G. Lattimore, Oct. 23; 33—H. J. D. Cooke, Oct., 21; 34—N. H. Ryan, Nov., 11 37—A. Miller, Aug., 10; A. R. Bremner, Oct. 16; W. C. Pow, Nov. 30; 38—W. F. Miller, July 9; 40—A. Campbell, Sep. 10; J. G. Cloke, Oct. 19; A. J. Cox, Oct. 22; J. W. Fowler, Oct. 23; J. W. Bleakley, Dec. 2; J. Rous, Dec. 9; 41—J. Greaves, Oct. 11; J. Bain, Nov. 2; 42—W. F. Vincent, Dec. 30; 43—W. H. Cody, Sep. 29; C. S. Paul, Sep. 29; 44—W. F. Woodford, July 16; J. S. Belbin, Nov. 5; M. S. Address, Dec. 28; 47—W. G. Dalton, Dec. 25; R. M. Hannah May ; 52—F. Helman, Oct. 10; 56—W. Hall, April 7; O. L. Jordon, Sep. 24; J. Iles, Dec. 6; 57—J. Muir, Aug. 27; E. J. Whitworth, Dec. 25; 58—T. Birkett, Oct. 21; C. S. Birch, Oct. 23; J. Storr, Nov. 18; 61—R. V. Mathews, July 13; W. L. Waterman, Aug. 13; 63—J. R. MacCauley, June 29; 65—J. Ward, July 14; R. J. Villers, Nov., 26; 66—J. K. Allen, Oct., 20; 68—J. Gibson, Dec., 2; C. Miller, Sep. 17; 69—J. W. Haight, July 22; 73—J. G. Constable, July 30 75—J. H. Fraser, July, 16; D. H. Fletcher, Nov., 10; W. D. McIntosh, Nov., 21; C. E. Hill, Nov. 21; R. J. Villers, Nov. 26; J. H. Brent, Dec. 12; 77—J. W. Gray, July 1. T. C. Matchett, Sep. 24; 78—J. McKinney, July 8th; T. O. Neff, Nov. 16; J. Law, Mar. 6; 79—G. Timmons, Aug. 6; 83—J. R. Alexander, Aug. 16; 85—J. P. Lamb, Oct. 9; G. M. Pierce, Nov. 27; 86—E. C. Davenport, July 8; J. Poucher, Oct. 2; G. M. Arnold, Nov. 3; E. Field, Nov. 6; W. Thompson, Dec. 14; 87—T. B. Reine, Nov. 2; A. C. Reesor, Dec. 13—88—D. R. Redfern, Aug. 6; 90—J. H. Nettleton, Nov. 13; J. Cameron, Dec. 18; 92—W. Davie, Aug. 11; J. Mundell, Oct. 12. 93—A. McDonald, Nov. 10 G. D. Morrison Dec. 20. 96—E. G. Redditt, Sep. 30; 99—J. D. Collie, Sep. 6; C. H. R. Clark, Sep. 19 101—G. R. Munro, March, 1; R. W. Travers no date. 104—J. T. Underwood, July 28; J. D. Hogarth, Dec. 1; 105—A. Lands, Dec. 2; 109—J. S. Wartman, Oct. 27; 118—J. Edwards, Aug., 31; 119—F. W. Armstrong, Aug., 31; O. Ball, Sept., 8; 122—J. Plaunt, Dec. 5; J. C. Nicolson, June 123—S. E. Haight, Oct. 4; W. J. Gibson, Oct. 7; 125—F. Bisset, Dec. 9; 128—W. J. McKinley, July 24; 129—W. F. Pratt, Oct. 7; 131—F. McLennan, Oct. 3; T. Taylor, Oct. 17, 137—J. Armstrong, Nov. 15; J. Sparling, Dec. 7; 143—T. Harbottle, Dec. 1; 144—T. Egan, Sep. 21; 148—A. Quackenbush, Aug. 16; H. H. Cameron, Nov. 23; R. Brown, June 25; 149—A. C. Mathew, Aug. 2; 151—J. B. Hughes, Aug. 26; D. M. Shoemaker, Sep. 23; 153—F. Duncan, Sep. 29; 155—D. Bellegham, May 22; F. T. Sollitt, Feb. 27; C. E. Green, Feb. 27; T. C. Irwin, April 6; R. J. Munro, March 2; A. Hall, March 15; F. W. H. Ranking, Feb. . 157—J. B. Ackland, Nov. 17 159—R. H. McElroy, Jan. 19; 161—I. Humphries, Nov. 30 L. J. Frost, Sep. 8; W. Couch, Nov. 20; 162—R. Hodgson, Jan. 16; 164—A. Platt, Dec. 7; 165—C. A. Tufgar, Nov. 4; 166—J. Steninsson, Dec. 8; 170—G. R. McMichael, Aug. 2; 171—D. Patterson, Sep. 10; 174—F. Newman, Dec. 19; 177—A. Christie, Aug. 3; E. P. Chapman, Aug. 25; J. H. Hall, Sep. 23 178—R. Johnston, July 23; A. Elliott, Nov. 14; 180—G. H. Skinner, Sep. 2; W. Hunt, Sep. 25; T. J. Moore, Nov. 25; 184—J. Boyle, Dec. 11; 192—N. E. Bennett, July 8; 193—J. McIlwrath, Dec. 14; 194—R. Stewart, Dec. 15; 200—T. G. Smith, Oct. 27; 201—A. B. Munroe, July 18; W. H. Britton, Nov. 20; D. T. V. Stungen, Dec. 4; 203—J. J. Bell, July 8; D. A. Cannon, Sep. 24; W. Crackle, Sep. 29; I. Kerfoot, Dec. 19; 209—J. Herron, July 6; 209A.—T. Scott, June 26; E. N. Hart, Nov. 19; 215—J. A. Haight, Sep. 3; 216—R. Allen, Nov. 4; 219—T. H. Rumford, Aug. 6; 220—D. Campbell, Nov. 16; 221—J. T. Winslow, July 15; 224—H. J. D. Cooke, Oct. 21; G. Turner, Sep. 24; 225—J. Riggs, Dec. 21; 229—W. W. Woods, Sep. 25; J. W. Cudlip, Dec. 9; 231—P. Stewart, Sep. 15; J. T. Hammill, Dec. 13; 232—J. A. Patterson, Feb. 27; E. Clark, July 2; 233—E. E. Chipman, April 21; 234—W. A. Lunan, Nov. 14; 236—T. A. Jebb, Oct. 27; 237—H. Soper, Nov. 10; 239—A. E. Grier, Dec., 9; 242—T. McMillan, Dec., 17; 245—D. Martin, Dec., 8; 247—J. D. Collie, Sep. 6; J. S. Dewar, Oct. 14; 250—D. Ross, Feb. 24; 254—J. Murray, July 26; 258—G. J. Brill, No date. 264—J. B. Johnston, July 30 S. Still, Sep. 4; 267—D. A. Cannon, Sep. 24; A. L. French, Nov. 24; J. H. Glassford, Nov. 24; 269—L. Bentley, Feb. 16; 270—W. W. Caulstard, Dec. 4., A. E. Caulstard, Dec. 3; 272—A. Book, Aug. 9; 276—R. J. Sherman, Oct. 16; J. K. McLean, Nov. 15; 282—E. Gale, Sep. 8; 283—R. Arnott, Oct. 17; E. M. Fisk, Nov. 15; 286—R. Tennant, Sep. 26; J. P. Kennedy, Oct. 26; J. H. Hiseocks, Dec. 5; 294—M. H. Ecker, Dec. 15; 295—W. Noecker, Aug. 28; 302—E. W. McBain, June 29; J. S. Tokum, Aug. 28; F. E. Smith, Sep. 20; E. C. Williams, Sep. 22; H. E. Stevenson, Dec. 13; 304—E. Colgan, Oct. 15; 305—J. Williton, July 20; 306—C. Knapp, July 316—H. E. Callan, July 15; 319—D. J. Heaslip, Aug. 9; 323—D. McIntyre, June 28; 324—J. Chapman Dec. 1; 326—H. E. Bond, Sep. 27; F. R. Smith, Sep. 28; C. E. Warwick, Oct. 14; J. L. Tuelock, Dec. 13; 330—A. B. Ferrier, Sep. 27; J. Clarke, Nov. 3; 339—J. Brooks, April 15; 1915. P. Macdonald, June 15; F. T. Burgess, Dec. 7; J. W. Hirst, Dec. 26, 1919; J. Dunkin, Aug. 19; 343—T. J. Leatherdale, Sep. 4; 346—



W. Crackle, Aug. 9; 348—F. L. Norton, Dec. 29; 356—W. Taylor, Nov. 1; 357—J. Buchan, Dec. 4; J. Prudham, July 26; 358—R. E. Howlett, Oct. 8; 360—H. J. B. Clark, July 18; 361—R. Tomlinson, Jan. 2; O. W. Bennett, Feb. 2; M. F. Colgan, Feb. 20; R. E. Nelson, May 5; 364—G. Haggerty, Oct. 13; 367—R. Hodgins, June 28; J. Ward, July 14; 368—R. A. Bowie, Nov. 26; W. R. Scace, Dec. 2; E. L. Kenny, Feb. 14, 1918. 369—W. J. Montgomery, Aug. 21; J. D. Evans, Dec. 4; 372—E. W. Bridgeman, Dec. 1918. 374—J. McNeil, Oct. 12; 376—W. M. Duncan, July 3; W. M. Butchart, Oct. 10; 378—G. T. Skeppen Oct. 18; 380—C. O. Elliott, Oct. 7; M. Baldwin, Dec. 6; 382—F. L. Nash, Oct. 23; J. B. Gay, Nov. 15; W. J. Vale, Dec. 26; 384—W. C. McGhie, July 9; B. Davis, Nov. 8; 386—O. Lee, June 25; 389—W. J. Ferguson, Dec. 17; 392—R. D. Delmage, Dec. 22; 393—H. Hayes, July 15; 394—G. C. Brock, Nov. 7; 395—W. D. Homes, Oct. 23; 396—A. J. Kyke, July 16; W. S. Porter, Sep. 23; 400—T. Walsh, Nov. 22; 403—W. G. Vernon, June 24; C. G. Drake, July 11; E. G. Henderson, Oct. 13; A. Miers, Oct. 29; 404—C. D. Clark, July 14; 406—R. M. Mason, June 26; 408—H. Bowin, Dec. 5; 410—W. N. McKendry, July 15; J. N. Williams, Aug. 8; 413—T. Anderson, July 2; 414—W. W. Atkinson, Mar. 4; I. E. Richardson, Mar. 13; P. McVicar Oct. 22; 415—J. H. Cameron, July 419—H. Ball, Nov. 10; 420—J. Cross, Nov. 6; 425—G. F. Logan, Oct. 18; C. W. Kilbreath, Oct. 21; 426—F. J. White, Aug. 14; J. R. Gibson, Dec. 8; H. Heintzman, Dec. 10; S. J. Williton, Aug. 27; J. H. Taylor, Nov. 12; 427—E. Brownell, Aug. 24; H. T. Ivey, Oct. 31; 429—T. B. McBride, Oct. 21; 430—H. Lumbers, Dec. 6; D. McKibbbon, Dec. 10; 432—W. Bernie, July 13; 433—J. C. Gourlay, March 26; 437—W. B. Collins, April 19; 438—H. Abbott, Oct. 19; L. K. Cameron, Oct. 1; E. C. Davies, May 27; 439—A. McGillivray, Dec. 17; 440—T. Parker, Dec. 3; 441—D. McFadden, July 9; 443—A. McDonald, July 24; 444—E. Blue-man, April 29; J. Millsap, Oct. 30; 445—L. H. Verge, July 27; 446—S. M. Noden, Nov. 11; 449—E. Mountcastle, May 22; 451—A. Chatterton, Dec. 10; 453—F. W. Alexander, Oct. 15; D. A. Gordon, Oct. 31; 455—B. H. Turner, Oct. 12; 457—E. Larabee, Oct. 20; 471—C. D. Gray, Dec. 3; 473—T. D. W. Brown, April 5; 474—F. J. White, Aug. 14; D. W. Anderson, Dec. 20; 475—P. Houison, July 27; J. Hooper, Sep. 8; 476—J. Flann, Nov. 18; 477—J. Grant Nov. 1; 478—F. Zimmerman, Oct. 18; 480—J. S. McIntosh, Mar. 16; W. C. Strader, Sep. 28; 482—J. Ballard, Oct. 24; C. McGregor, Dec. 7; 485—A. C. Gillespie, Dec. 6; 490—A. Plewes, Aug. 1; 493—J. G. Constable, July 29; 495—S. W. Pearson, Feb. 7; W. Hill, Oct. 2; D. Connell, Dec. 3 E. Taylor, 18, July; 499—C. B. Dack, Aug. 20; 504—C. Nichols, Nov. 1. 505—J. Rous, Dec. 9; 507—A. A. Ribble, July 4; 508—W. L. Roberts, Dec 4; 514—W. H. Thorpe, July 22; 20—G. Craig, Dec. 18; S. A. Moran, Dec. 21 523—A. E. Coulthard, Nov. 27; 526—J. Y. Halpenny, Oct. 3; G. O. Kemp, July 31; 531—N. D. Davidson, Dec. 11; 532—R. R. Ball, Oct. 22; 534—C. Johnstone, Sep. 19; F. Hunter, Nov. 11; J. S. Miller, Dec. 12; 535—E. Morris, Aug. 16; 536—J. Wilson, Aug. 13; J. Withycombe, Dec. 13; 537—S. Pinkerton, Dec. 16; W. N. McKendry, July 15; 540—E. J. McConomy, Sep. 19; 545—D. S. Blythe, Nov. 3; 550—H. B. Somers, July 19; 555—B. R. G. Smith, Nov. 25; 561—J. H. Halpenny, Oct. 3.

## RESTORATIONS

5—F. McLennan. 6—R. Cruickshanks. 7—V. H. Carpenter, J. J. Bryan, H. L. Walker. 10—J. V. Craig. 14—J. J. Oxley, T. Burry. 15—J. S. Carlisle. 20—C. A. Graham. 22—F. A. Ogletree, J. E. McCready. 27—H. C. Way. 40—F. H. Dickenson, W. Hill, J. G. Muir. 43—W. A. Thornton, H. B. Becker, H. B. Sproat. 44—A. F. Thayer, S. Whitlock. 47—A. McLachlan, J. T. Kelley. 48—W. J. George, P. S. McCaffrey 62—R. W. Mutchmore. 64—B. J. Braack. 65—R. Embree. 74—W. Reid. 76—J. B. Jupp, T. M. Dodds, H. Lane, F. Willis. 77—J. M. Campbell. 78—D. D. Healey, W. Sponenburg. 84—J. Copp. 88—J. H. McLaughlan. 98—C. H. Duke, 106—G. Muter. 110—J. F. Calcutt, F. Drummond. 114—R. W. Dyer. 115—M. D. Moyer, W. J. Fairweather. 118—C. E. Metcalfe, T. O. Metcalfe. 119—J. A. Redden. 121—J. E. James, O. Wangerheim. 125—R. J. McCrodan, G. E. Gosling. 128—A. Taylor. 139—W. Hay. 147—J. A. Hueston. 156—C. C. Robinson. 165—F. W. Galloway, T. W. Peart, J. Thomas. 170—J. H. Dayman. 174—W. Frayer. 201—J. M. Watt. 209A—C. L. Hodgins. 218—J. Whitfield, E. D. Pretty, J. Pettigrew. 220—G. Thompson. 221—L. A. Cooper, J. H. Dunn. 223—F. J. Squire. 225—C. Hacking, F. A. Webber. 228—N. Bond. 233—H. Gill. 236—W. H. Cook. 238—A. Saunders. 239—G. Robinson, W. S. Busby, E. H. Harkness, J. Wise. 242—A. W. Burch. 249—A. Buchanan, A. R. Murday, F. Tuer, D. Caston, C. M. Brown. 250—A. Bain. 260—F. Pope. 261—J. E. Thompson. 264—J. Whitehorn, R. Smith, W. H. Thompsom. 266 E. C. Cross. 270—J. M. Tamblin. 271—S. C. Walker. A. Royce. 274—W. R. Fellows. 279. W. Scott. 285—J. B. McRea. 286—T. H. Agnew. 296—J. W. Kempling, J. E. Crossen. 312—R. F. Wescott. 313—G. C. Taylor. 314—C. L. Kearns, G. Kells, A. Brechin. 316—J. A. Cadieux,



E. B. Johnson. 324—J. J. Wilson, A. C. Walls. 326—N. B. Eagen, O. L. Stevens. 330—E. Chapman. 343—A. L. Macdonald, C. C. Macdonald, C. Newton. 345—N. Grover. 346—H. J. Pitcher, T. Hughes. 354—A. Taylor. 358. P. E. Howlett, 360—T. J. Woods, 361—W. A. McDougall, A. E. Meyer, A. E. Whitmore. 367—J. R. Goodman, F. H. Colquhoun. 368—G. F. Stayner. 371—A. H. Kendall 372—C. Doane, J. C. Gilbert, H. C. Fite, J. B. Curtis. 373—H. F. Dickens. 382—M. B. Skedden. 383—W. Dockstrader. 397—J. B. Hayes. 410—A. Butler. 415—G. P. McLaughlin, F. E. Endersby. 419—A. Ashby, W. J. Shields. 420—G. M. Parks, W. J. Parsons. 426—W. J. Gilchrist. 427—S. W. Byers. 430—M. Prest. 431—A. McDonald. 434—H. N. Modeland. 435—T. Butters. 437—R. H. Ragan. 439—J. D. Mills. 441—J. E. Whaley. 444—R. Matchett, J. W. Johnstone, E. H. Nicol. 445—J. R. Taylor. P. Ogilive. 450—F. E. W. Richter, J. B. McGibbon. 454—C. Ross. 456—O. M. Smith. 464—A. W. Hamilton. 473—J. C. McGinniss. 475—F. Fennell. 484—J. Livshity. 487—F. P. Walton. 495—J. H. Boyd. 518—G. H. Laycock, G. Abbott, W. B. Horne. 531—W. H. Butler. 537—H. C. Smith.

### EXPULSIONS

52—C. S. Stanley, F. B. Henshall. 83—J. J. Smith. 489—J. T. Edwards.

# In Memoriam

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Most Worshipful Brother

**ISAAC HENRY STEARNS**

P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Quebec and G.S.W.  
of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**ROBERT PYE**

P.D.D.G.M., Erie District No. 1a.

DIED APRIL 21, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**WALTER W. RUTHERFORD**

P.D.D.G.M., London District No. 3.

DIED APRIL 4, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**JAMES S. DEWAR**

P.D.D.G.M., Wellington District No. 7.

DIED OCTOBER 14, 1920.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**THOMAS B. McBRIDE**

D.D.G.M., Bruce District No. 24.

DIED OCTOBER 21, 1920.

# In Memoriam

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Right Worshipful Brother

**HERBERT S. GRIFFIN**

P.D.D.G.M., Hamilton District No. 8.

DIED JUNE 28, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**GEORGE M. PEEBLES**

P.D.D.G.M., Ontario District No. 12.

DIED APRIL 14, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**JOSEPH WHITE**

P.D.D.G.M., Ontario District No. 12.

DIED MAY 24, 1921

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Right Worshipful Brother

**HENRY C. SCULLY**

P.D.D.G.M., Toronto District No. 11.

DIED JUNE 25, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**CHARLES F. FAREWELL**

P.D.D.G.M., Nipissing District No. 18.

DIED APRIL 2, 1921.

# In Memoriam

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Right Worshipful Brother

**WILLIAM N. SHAVER**

Past Grand Senior Warden.

DIED MAY 6, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**ROBERT HOOVER**

District Deputy Grand Master of Niagara District No. 10  
for six months.

DIED FEBRUARY 3, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**LYMAN D. CHERRY**

P.D.D.G.M. of Georgian District No. 9A.

DIED JANUARY 28, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**JOHN B. MARTYN**

P.D.D.G.M. of St. Clair District No. 2.

DIED JUNE 3, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother

**JAMES McLAUCLAN**

Past Grand Senior Warden.

DIED FEBRUARY 12, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother  
**JAMES G. CANE**  
Past Grand Junior Warden.  
DIED FEBRUARY 6, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother  
**HENRY T. WHITE**  
Past Grand Junior Warden.  
DIED MAY 2, 1921.

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Right Worshipful Brother  
**E. C. DAVIES**  
Past Grand Registrar.  
DIED NOVEMBER 27, 1920.

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Right Worshipful Brother  
**LUD. K. CAMERON**  
Past Grand Registrar.  
DIED OCTOBER 1, 1920

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Very Worshipful Brother  
**WILLIAM ALLEN YOUNG**  
Past Grand Senior Deacon.  
DIED JANUARY 26, 1921.



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Very Worshipful Brother  
**JOHN HOOPER**  
Past Grand Director of Ceremonies.  
DIED SEPTEMBER 8, 1920.

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Very Worshipful Brother  
**JOHN G. CONSTABLE**  
Past Grand Pursuivant.  
DIED JULY 30, 1920.

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Very Worshipful Brother  
**JAMES MUIR, Sr.**  
Past Grand Steward.  
DIED AUGUST 27, 1920.

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Very Worshipful Brother  
**ALFRED MIERS**  
Past Grand Steward.  
DIED OCTOBER 29, 1920.

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Very Worshipful Brother  
**WILLIAM JOHN McALLISTER**  
Past Grand Standard Bearer.  
DIED APRIL 27, 1921

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Very Worshipful Brother  
**JOHN B. WALLACE**  
Past Grand Sword Bearer.  
DIED MAY 6, 1921.

## LIST OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS 1921-22

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M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, K.C. .... Belleville

### The Deputy Grand Master

R.W. Bro. W. H. Drope ..... Grimsby

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No.	District	D.D.G.M.	P. O. Address
1	Erie	R.W. Bro. John Davidson	Chatham
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2	St. Clair	" Wm. R. Dawson	Inwood
3	London	" Wm. C. Moore	Belmont
4	South Huron	" Isaac Hetherington	Sheppardton
5	North Huron	" Thomas Blackmore	Listowel
6	Wilson	" Raymond B. Hutt	Ingersoll
7	Wellington	" Harry C. Edgar	Preston
8	Hamilton	" Chas. E. Kelly	Hamilton
9	Georgian	" Manuel S. Keller	Midland
10	Niagara	" J. C. Lymburner	Niagara Falls
11	Toronto West	" Roderick B. Dargavel	Toronto
11a	Toronto East	" Geo. L. Gardiner	Toronto
11b	Toronto Centre	" John H. Dunlop	Richmond Hill
12	Ontario	" James T. George	Port Hope
13	Prince Edward	" Milton K. Adams	Pictou
14	Frontenac	" Philip H. Burke	Kingston
15	St. Lawrence	" John A. Fleming	Prescott
16	Ottawa	" Matthew R. MacFarlane	Almonte
17	Algoma	" John W. Walker	Fort Frances
18	Nipissing	" Henry J. Moorehouse	Sault Ste. Marie
19	Muskoka	" Truman J. Williams	Powassan
20	Victoria	" Albert E. Bottum	Bobcaygeon
21	Eastern	" Duncan A. McNaughton	Finch
22	Temiskaming	" Robt. LeHeup	Haileybury
23	Brant	" James McNeilly	St. George
24	Bruce	" Patrick J. Scott	Southampton
25	Grey	" John F. Grant	Durham

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### The Grand Chaplain

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### The Grand Treasurer

M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone ..... Toronto

### The Grand Secretary

R.W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan ..... Hamilton

### The Grand Registrar

R.W. Bro. James A. Orr ..... Sudbury

### Historian

R.W. Bro. Edward B. Brown ..... Toronto

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 " Edwin Daubney ..... Ottawa ..... Asst. Grand Secretary  
 " Wm. J. Wadsworth ..... Toronto ..... Grand Dir. of Ceremonies  
 " James R. Thompson ..... Windsor ..... Asst. Gr. Dir. of Ceremonies  
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" Geo. Sprentall.....	Trenton
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" Norman D. Graham.....	Wallaceburg
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" John T. Orr.....	Toronto
" Wm. J. Bragg.....	Bowamville
" Maxwell Robinson.....	Bath
" Alex. H. McKee.....	Ottawa
" Jas. A. Underhill.....	Fort William
" Alex. D. Meldrum.....	Sudbury
" Wm. G. Gerhart.....	Huntsville
" Chas. W. Burgoyne.....	Fenelon Falls
" David Fink.....	Iroquois
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" Robt. T. Stillman.....	Brantford
" Henry O. Bell.....	Southampton
" Thomas C. Foster.....	Erin
" David Barragar.....	Belleville
" J. L. Culbert.....	Ottawa

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**The Grand Tyler**

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"	Milton K. Adams.....	Picton
"	Philip H. Burke.....	Kingston
"	John A. Fleming.....	Prescott
"	Matthew R. MacFarlane.....	Almonte
"	John W. Walker.....	Port Frances
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"	Truman J. Williams.....	Powassan
"	Albert E. Bottum.....	Bobcaygeon
"	Duncan A. McNaughton.....	Finch
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"	Alex. Cowan.....	Barrie
"	J. F. Reid.....	Windsor
"	A. J. Anderson.....	Toronto
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"	Thomas Rowe.....	London
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"	James Ross.....	Waterford
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"	George Moore.....	Hamilton
"	J. B. Way.....	Sault Ste. Marie
"	E. B. Brown.....	Toronto
"	Geo. H. Smith.....	Toronto
"	A. Shaw.....	Kingston
"	P. T. Coupland.....	St. Mary's
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"	P. A. Sommerville.....	Hamilton

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# GRAND REPRESENTATIVES AND GRAND SECRETARIES

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Arthur H. Bray .....	Sydney
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R.W. Bro. A. M. Cunningham	Hamilton	Indiana	R.W. Bro. Elias J. Jacoby	Wm. H. Swintz	Indianapolis
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		Kentucky		David Jackson	Louisville
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		Greece		
		Hungary		
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# Appendix to Proceedings of 1921.

## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Edward B. Brown, P. D. D. G. M., Chairman.

*To the President of the Board of General Purposes:—*

The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence submits the following review of all proceedings of Grand Lodge which have reached the Committee up to the time when it is necessary to close the report:—

1. Alberta.....	1920	30. New Mexico.....	1920
2. Arizona.....	1920	31. New South Wales	1919
3. Arkansas.....	1919	32. New York.....	1920
4. Brazil.....	1920	33. New Zealand.....	1920
5. British Columbia.....	1920	34. North Carolina.....	1920
6. California.....	1920	35. North Dakota.....	1920
7. Colorado.....	1920	36. Nova Scotia.....	1920
8. Columbia (Dist. of).....	1920	37. Ohio.....	1920
9. Connecticut.....	1920	38. Oklahoma.....	1920
10. Delaware.....	1919, 1920	39. Oregon.....	1920
11. England.....	1920	40. Pennsylvania.....	1919
12. Idaho.....	1920	41. Philippine Isl'ds.....	1920
13. Illinois.....	1920	42. Prince Ed. Isl'd.....	1920
14. Indiana.....	1920	43. Quebec.....	1920
15. Iowa.....	1920	44. Queensland.....	1920
16. Kansas.....	1920	45. Rhode Island.....	1920
17. Maine.....	1920	46. Saskatchewan.....	1920
18. Manitoba.....	1920	47. Scotland.....	1920
19. Massachusetts.....	1919	48. South Australia.....	1920
20. Mexico.....	1920	49. South Carolina.....	1919
21. Michigan.....	1920	50. South Dakota.....	1920
22. Minnesota.....	1920	51. Tasmania.....	1920
23. Mississippi.....	1920	52. Utah.....	1920
24. Montana.....	1919	53. Vermont.....	1920
25. Nebraska.....	1920	54. Victoria.....	1919
26. Netherlands.....	1920	55. Virginia.....	1920
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## ALBERTA.

The establishment of 6 new Lodges and a gratifying increase in membership marked the progress of the Grand Lodge of Alberta in the year beginning in June, 1919, and ending in June, 1920.

The record now before us is that of the 15th Annual Communication, held in the world-famed town of Banff, on the 9th and 10th June, 1920.

The most interesting portion of the address or report of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro., W. J. Botterill, of Red Deer, is that which relates to the Lodges of Instruction held during his year of office. Fourteen of these meetings were held in 13 of the districts—only the farthest northern district being omitted. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary, accompanied by other Grand Officers were present at all these gatherings. The Grand Master was satisfied that much good had been accomplished—the meetings were all highly successful, and arrangements had been made for repeating them in the coming year.

Many Lodges had responded generously to the appeal made on behalf of the Benevolent Fund. About \$45,000 had been invested in Dominion and Provincial securities, the interest of which would be available for distribution in Masonic benevolence.

The Grand Secretary's statistics are for the year ending on the 27th December, 1919. The aggregate membership of the 112 Lodges (4 of them under dispensation) then stood at 9,343, and the net gain for 1919 was 808.

The report of the Grand Treasurer showed a credit balance in the bank, small but healthy. The financial year ends on the 31st January.

The Grand Secretary, Past Grand Master S. Y. Taylor, is also Grand Librarian. He reports, among other things, that the circulating travelling library sets have been in constant use by the Lodges.

Among resolutions passed by Grand Lodge was one against entering into fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France and one looking to the increase of the Benevolent Fund during the ensuing year to the sum of \$75,000.

Banff was fixed upon as the place for meeting in June, 1921. We do not wonder at the repeated choice. It is surely a delightful place to visit in the month of June.

The energetic Grand Secretary, at short notice, prepared a report on Foreign Correspondence, taking the place of Past Grand Master Hiram Darling, who became ill during the early part of the year and was unable to undertake the work for which he had in two years' service shown remarkable capability. Brother Taylor reviews the proceedings of 28 Grand Jurisdictions. The Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario) receives much attention. From the reports of R. W. Brother Ponton on the Condition of Masonry and M. W. Brother Freed on Fraternal Correspondence, quotations are made at considerable length.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta is to be congratulated on its enterprise and progress.

J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Cowley, Grand Master.

S. Y. Taylor, Calgary, Grand Secretary.

### ARIZONA.

The 38th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Arizona was held in the City of Phoenix on the 10th, 11th, and 12th February, 1920; James Henry Barrett, Grand Master, presiding.

A considerable part of the volume of proceedings is taken up by a very interesting account of the visit paid to the United Grand Lodge of England in June, 1919, by two delegates from Arizona, Past Grand Masters Morris Goldwater and R. N. Fredericks, who attended the Peace Jubilee gathering and were most favourably impressed; but this is now rather ancient history.

The following report of M. W. Bro. Harry A. Drachman from the Correspondence Committee, anent Mexican Grand Lodges, was received and adopted:—

“Your Committee on Correspondence, to whom was referred at the last Grand Session the matter of recognition of the Grand Lodge of Valle de Mexico, report that, after going over the several communications and correspondence, they find that the Masonic conditions in Mexico appear to be much better than heretofore, and also that the so-called York Grand Lodge is going out of existence, therefore restoring to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico full authority and jurisdiction over Symbolic Masonry in Mexico, which was always recognised by our Grand Lodge. Therefore, we recommend that our former friendly relations be continued, and a Grand Representative be appointed to the said Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.”

A notable Mason, to whom Nevada and Arizona laid equal claim, Merrill Pingree Freeman, died in Tucson, Arizona, on the 11th April, 1919. He was born in Ohio in 1844. He became a resident of Nevada in 1862, and was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of that State in 1877. In 1880 he moved to Tucson, where was first Postmaster and then president of the Consolidated National Bank of Tucson. In 1884 he was elected Grand Master of Arizona. Does any one know of another instance of a Mason having been the actual ruling Grand Master of two Grand Lodges? “Brother Freeman,” it is said in a short sketch of his life, “was a man whose life had been devoted to unselfish labour, whose honesty of purpose had never been questioned, and whose civic influence, large and often exerted, was ever recognised for good; his heart was ever open to the needy, and hundreds who have participated in his bounties mourn his loss.”

Grand Secretary's statistics: 26 chartered Lodges and one under dispensation: number of Master Masons on the 1st January, 1920, 3,786; net gain in a year, 419.

There is no correspondence report.

Henry Gordon Glove, Nogales, Grand Master.

George James Roskruge, Tucson, Grand Secretary.

## ARKANSAS.

We had no report of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas last year. In 1919 the proceedings of 1918 were noticed by our predecessor in the reviewer's chair. And now we have the somewhat belated proceedings of 1919, which are prefaced with a portrait of Louis Bauerlein, elected and installed as Grand Master at the 78th Annual Communication, held in the Convention Hall of the Hotel Marion, in the City of Little Rock, on the 18th and 19th November, 1919. At that time M. W. Brother G. W. Wells was Grand Master, and it was he who presided in the Grand East. In his address he referred to local matters, to the Masonic Service Association, to the Masonic Home at Batesville, to the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association, he made some recommendations, and he occasionally dropped into poetry.

Past Grand Master Nathaniel P. Richmond died at his home in Malvern, Arkansas, on the 28th June, 1919, in the 86th year of his age. He was born in Indiana, had lived in Malvern for about 40 years, and was Grand Master in 1894. His decease was the close of a long life of usefulness and devotion to the principles of the Masonic Fraternity.

The report of the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Fay Hempstead, of Little Rock, referred to a disastrous fire which destroyed the Masonic Temple in that city in August, 1919. Some records were lost but not the most important. This was the third occasion, within the recollection of the Grand Secretary, upon which the Masonic Fraternity in Little Rock had suffered great loss from fire—the previous losses were in 1865 and 1876.

The Grand Secretary said that the Lodges had enjoyed great prosperity during the year. There were 554 chartered Lodges at the date of this Communication and 2 under dispensation. We also find that 2,116 Master Masons were added to the roll in the year, and that the total number on the roll in November, 1919, was 25,574. The net gain in numbers is not mentioned, but we take it to have been 1,950, which is a good showing.

In the report of the Committee on Masonic Law and Usage, which was adopted by Grand Lodge, it was said



that it was a grave Masonic offence for two members of the Craft, sons of one who had also been a Mason, wilfully to erect a monument over his grave indicating that he was a Mason in good standing, whereas, to their knowledge, their father had been expelled from the Order. The Lodge should prefer charges against the two sons, and, if the facts were as alleged, a severe penalty should be inflicted.

Brother S. O. Whaley, Grand Orator, made a highly interesting address on the Influence of Masonry in the Making of the United States of America, a fruitful subject, most eloquently treated.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, by Brother A. G. Henderson, Chairman, presented a report—not a review of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges. The report was prepared with great care and showed study and a competent knowledge of the subject discussed in it, viz., the relation of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas to other Grand Lodges. The committee made 5 recommendations.

(1) That the action taken by the Grand Lodge of Arkansas in 1870 by which fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France were severed be repealed.

(2) That the Grand Lodge of Arkansas is hereby declared to be in fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France and that an exchange of representatives be had.

(3) That the Grand Lodge of Arkansas is hereby declared to be in fraternal accord and relation with the Grand Lodge of France and that an exchange of representatives be requested of that Grand Lodge.

(4) That the principles enunciated by this Grand Jurisdiction in secs. 137 and 138 of the Constitution as tests for membership and for the recognition of other Grand Lodges be and the same are hereby declared applicable only to Grand Lodges of English-speaking countries, and that as to Grand Lodges and Grand Orientes of other countries each application be considered upon its merits with relation to the situation of the applicant and with a view to doing full and complete Masonic justice.

(5) That the request of the Grand Lodge of Servs, Croats, and Slovenes, domiciled at Belgrade, for recognition by the Grand Lodge of Arkansas be granted and the latter Grand Lodge declared to be in fraternal accord with the former, and that an interchange of representatives be granted.

Recommendations (1) and (2) were stricken out and (3), (4), and (5) were adopted.

Consideration of the position to be taken by this Grand Lodge in regard to the Masonic Service Association and the Washington Memorial Association was deferred until the next Annual Communication.

There is no correspondence review,

Louis Bauerlain, Camden, Grand Master.

Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Secretary.

### **BRAZIL.**

We have some monthly bulletins from the Grand Orient of Brazil. We think that they hardly come within scope of this review; and so, even if they were in the English language—they are in Spanish—we should not include them. They are of April and May, 1920.

General Thomaz Cavalcanti de Albuquerque, Acting Grand Master.

Dr. Ticiano Corregio Dæmon, Grand Secretary.

### **BRITISH COLUMBIA.**

The 49th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held at Nelson on the 17th and 18th June, 1920. The members were welcomed by the Mayor of Nelson, himself a member of the Craft. Grand Master Samuel J. Willis, who presided, made a rather short address in which he hardly travelled beyond the record of his official acts. One of his rulings may be noted: "The Order of the Eastern Star may not be allowed to meet in a Masonic Hall which has been dedicated." This ruling was approved by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary's report showed, at the end of 1919, 78 chartered Lodges (only 2 of them weak) and 9 under dispensation; an aggregate membership of 8,975; increase in a year, 1012. The 9 Lodges under dispensation were warranted at this Communication.

The Grand Historian, R. W. Brother William Burns, submitted a valuable report containing accounts of the receptions given by the various Lodges in the Jurisdiction to their members returning from the great war. This appears to us a most commendable enterprise—the preservation of a record of contemporary history which will be invaluable to the historian of a later day.

M. W. Brother J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, was a distinguished visitor on the second day of the meeting, and made an impressive address.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was prepared and presented by the Grand Secretary, V. W. Bro. W. A. DeWolf-Smith, who is an accomplished writer and student of Masonry. Needless to say, the report is in every way excellent. We take leave to quote three paragraphs from the brief introduction :—

“Probably what strikes one most in this year's survey of the Masonic field is the fact that the Grand Lodges of the country which won the war have ceased falling over one another in their haste to recognise French Masonry, so-called. More, some Grand Lodges which gave recognition—not because they knew or cared anything about French Masonry, but simply because they felt they had to be in the procession—have now withdrawn it, and no doubt others will do likewise so soon as they decently can.

“The return of some degree of sanity is also shown by the withdrawal of some Grand Lodges in the United States from the 'Masonic Service Association', another product of the desire to 'do something', or, as some think, a manœuvre to bring about the establishment of a General Grand Lodge.

"It is pleasing to be able to report that the differences among the Craft in Queensland are in a fair way of being settled. Advices just received announce the formation of a Grand Lodge which will be recognised by the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland; and it is expected that this will shortly join with the local Grand Lodge formed a few years ago, to establish the 'United Grand Lodge of Queensland.' "

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario) at its meeting of 1919, in Toronto, were among those noticed by the learned reviewer, who quotes extensively from the opinions expressed by M. W. Brother Freed in his correspondence report.

We notice that the next Annual Communication is to be held in Victoria.

M. L. Grimmett, Merritt, B. C., Grand Master.

Dr. W. A. DeWolf-Smith, P.O. Box 910, New Westminster, B. C., Grand Secretary.

## CALIFORNIA.

The volume for 1920 is so large that we opened it with fear and trembling. Nor were the contents reassuring. There appeared to be at least three important documents—the Grand Master's "message", the Grand Orator's address, and the Grand Correspondent's review. On examination the importance of these documents was manifest—they are the work of Masonic writers of unusual skill and ability.

To begin in the usual prosaic fashion, the Grand Lodge of California commenced its 71st Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, San Francisco, on Tuesday the 12th October, 1920, and continued in session for 4 days.

There is a portrait, but we can find no biography—we should like to have one—of Charles Albert Adams, who presided as Grand Master at this Communication and delivered the "message" to which we have referred. Its text was: "Masonry is the activity of closely united men who, employing symbolical forms borrowed principally from the Mason's trade and from architecture,

work for the welfare of mankind." He discussed a variety of subjects, gave a very full account of the occurrences during his year of office, and made certain recommendations, one of which was that Acacia Lodge be permitted to revive the use of the German language. It had, on account of peculiar circumstances, been forbidden in that Lodge, although permitted in Hermann Lodge, while in two other Lodges the Italian and French languages were used respectively without objection. The Grand Master said that he had at first been of the opinion that all Lodges should work in the English language, but he had come to see that he had failed to take into consideration the peculiar conditions which differentiate a Masonic Lodge from any other institution composed of foreign-born citizens—he had entirely ignored the fact that if the worthy and well-qualified of the foreign-born are to be inspired with the principles of Masonry it must be through the medium of a language with which they are thoroughly familiar. These considerations were emphasised in a respectful petition (in very good English) from Acacia Lodge itself, which was referred to a committee with a high-sounding name—"The Committee on General Policy and Purposes". That committee reported "that no special privileges or immunities should be extended to any Lodges or individuals under this Grand Jurisdiction; and, inasmuch as the privilege of working in their respective languages has been extended and continued to another Lodge working in the German language and to others working in the French and Italian languages respectively, we can see no good purpose in perpetuating this inequality, and we therefore recommend that the petition of Acacia Lodge No. 438 \* \* \* \* be approved and permission given by this Grand Lodge in accordance with said petition."

*Fiat justitia ruat coelum,* The report and recommendation were **adopted**.

The Grand Master gave a very interesting account of his visits—"visitations" he called them. He had gone as far afield as Mexico and Hawaii and had by no means neglected the Lodges nearer to him. During the year he conferred the Master Mason's degree upon his only son, who became of lawful age in June, 1920. What follows this statement in the "message" may be quoted with advantage:—



"This was the only degree I conferred during my term of office. Indeed, I caused it to be known that not only would I confer no degrees, but that I preferred that no 'work' be done on the occasion of my visit to a Lodge; because I believe that the purpose of these visits can be otherwise better effectuated. It was my desire not only to present my views to the Brethren, but to learn theirs: and if there was any particular problem confronting a Lodge to be advised of it, and to be of assistance, if I could, in helping to solve it. Furthermore I have learned by experience that men who have sat in a crowded and perhaps poorly ventilated room for two hours or more and through the lecture of the third degree, are not in the frame of mind I want them to be when I talk to them. Whenever it could be arranged, I had the Lodge closed immediately after the formal reception of the Grand Master, and the remainder of the evening spent at the tables where the talking was done. It was peculiarly gratifying to me that not infrequently it was made apparent that the views I had expressed with which Grand Lodge is familiar were those long entertained by some of the best informed of our Brethren who had feared to give voice to them."

The visit to Hawaii was full of interest. The Grand Master presided in a Lodge there—Hawaii is Masonically under the California rule—upon the occasion of the visit of the Prince of Wales, who had recently been made a Mason, and who, as the Grand Master records, "immediately won the hearts of all of us."

Brother Adams placed himself on record as opposed to the Masonic Service Association of the United States. His attitude was not based on fear of encroachment upon the functions of the Grand Lodges, but on the belief that it is impracticable, if not impossible, to effect the purposes desired through any national organisation. He said that the programme outlined by the association for the education of the Craft was alluring to those already engaged in California "along similar lines;" but he believed that it could be carried out only by the individual Jurisdictions. He concluded his remarks on this subject in these words: "Impressed as I am with the importance of the aims and purposes of the Masonic Service Association, in so far as its educational programme is concerned,

and because I am in absolute and entire consonance with the views which gave rise to it, it is with great reluctance that I find myself unable as Grand Master to recommend that Grand Lodge become a member thereof."

There was before Grand Lodge a resolution, introduced by Past Grand Master William Rhodes Hervey, approving the constitution of the association and recommending that the Grand Lodge of California should become a member. The Committee on General Policy and Purposes considered this question, and reported that the members of the committee could not reach an agreement upon it. They unanimously recommended that "the decision of this Grand Jurisdiction be held in abeyance until the next Communication of Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Master and Grand Secretary attend the annual meeting of the Masonic Service Association, to be held in St. Louis in November, 1920." The report and recommendation were adopted.

In the Grand Master's address and in other parts of the proceedings much is said of the Masonic Homes of California at Decoto and Covina. It is a matter of regret that space cannot be found for some details regarding them. The Grand Master, in conformity with what he believed to be the general desire of the Craft, did not this year authorise any concerted effort to increase the endowment fund; but he reminded the Brethren that these Homes were "the outward visible manifestations of the spirit of Masonry; and that by contributing to their endowment fund we furnish tangible evidence of the sincerity of the professions we make as Masons". We find this, if we may so, very well put.

Services were held during the period of the session of Grand Lodge in memory of four distinguished Craftsmen who had passed on during the year. The most eminent was James Baunty Stevens, who was born in 1841 in Miami, Ohio. He went to California with his parents in 1852; and took up his abode in Santa Rosa, where he was Assistant United States Appraiser of Merchandise, and where he died. He was an ardent Mason, and was Grand Master in 1894. Feeling reference was made in the Grand Master's address to these four departed ones.

Many other matters worthy of notice are to be found in that address, which is indeed a notable one; but we must hasten on.

The report of the Grand Secretary, Bro. John Whicher, is really a fourth important document, though it is more strictly confined to business affairs. He records that the experiment of taxing petitioners for the degrees \$20 each for the benefit of the Masonic Homes is a success, and the result is materially to reduce the per capita tax on the members.

There was a remarkable increase in the Lodges and in the number of members. At the close of the Annual Communication of 1919 there were 381 Lodges on the register. Since that time dispensations had been issued for the formation of 20 new Lodges, and 9,336 Master Masons had been added to the roll; the apparent net increase for the year was 8,983. The largest Lodge in the jurisdiction has 1,204 members.

The development of Masonry, its principles and ideals, its history and achievements, was the subject of the annual oration. The orator was Albert E. Boynton, Past Master of Oroville Lodge No. 103. We do not quote from this document; it must be read in its entirety if it is to be understood.

The report of the Grand Lecturer, Brother Thomas J. Baker, is brief, but it gives a fair idea of the activities of Masonry in California. We quote a portion of it:—

“This has been without doubt the most successful and active year in the history of the Grand Lodge. There has been a tremendous gain in membership, the largest for any year since its organisation. Many Lodges, however, in spite of the vast amount of degree-work, have found and taken time to provide entertainment and educational programmes for their members. This has not only been instructive and beneficial, but has greatly increased the attendance, both at degree-work and stated meetings. The interest thus taken has been brought about in a great measure by the persistent and untiring efforts of our Grand Master and his Committee on Masonic Education. The Masters’ and Wardens’ Clubs have also

done much to stimulate interest and make suggestions in this respect, which I believe will have a beneficial and lasting effect, and tend to make Masonry a greater force in the community; as well as inspire us all to practise out of the Lodge the lessons inculcated therein, thereby making us better Masons and better citizens. There never was a time in the history of the world, during this period of reconstruction and social unrest, when there was greater need for this than at present. Hence now is the time for us as Masons to justify our cause, and practise what we profess."

The Second Annual Report on Correspondence from the magic pen of Brother Jesse M. Whited is fully equal to its predecessor. He deals with "subjects", not mere "topics", and deals with them in a large way—he states propositions and supports them by felicitous arguments of his own and by quotations from the proceedings of other Grand Lodges. This, for instance, under "Affiliates", is well put; "We certainly believe that unaffiliated Masons in a Jurisdiction are a detriment to the Fraternity locally. While we appreciate the sentiment which a Brother holds for his Mother Lodge, still it should not extend so far as to entitle him to all the benefits and privileges of the Jurisdiction wherein he actually resides, nor stop him from assuming any of its burdens or responsibilities." This is supported by quotations from the printed proceedings of "Canada," "Maryland," "Montana," and "Nevada."

Brother Whited is devoted to statistics. He sent questionnaires to various Grand Secretaries, and used their answers in making up his report.

"It is refreshing", he says, "to find that we are discarding some old ideas as to the scope of our activities, and searching for a means to put into practical effect new ones applicable to the needs of the present."

Under the heading of "Bouquets and Brickbats," he collects expressions of opinion regarding California Masonry from the printed proceedings received from other Jurisdictions.



Perhaps it will surprise some readers to learn that several pages of this review are filled with remarks, quoted from various volumes of proceedings, about the Roman Catholic Church. In spite of some dicta to the contrary, we think that Freemasonry in English-speaking countries is regarded by Roman Catholics as distinctively Protestant—and there is some ground for this view, though, as we believe, the prejudice against Masonry in Roman Catholic circles is largely based upon a misunderstanding.

Every reader of this report should try to obtain the California proceedings for perusal.

George F. Rodden, Masonic Temple, San Francisco, Grand Master.

John Whicher, Masonic Temple, San Francisco, Grand Secretary.

### COLORADO.

There were some unusual features in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Colorado at its 60th Annual Communication, held in Denver on the 21st and 22nd September, 1920.

An interchange of visits between the Grand Masters of Utah and Colorado is by no means unusual, however. On this occasion M. W. Brother James LeRoy Catron, Grand Master of Masons in Utah, was received with enthusiasm (and with grand honours); he made a short address, in which he fittingly said, "If you get the wrong kind of a man into your Lodge, it is almost impossible to get rid of him."

Passing over the somewhat theatrical presentation of the flag at the opening of Grand Lodge, we come to the address of the Grand Master, M. W. Brother Frank L. Bishop, of whose life and career we gave some particulars a year ago, and who, as now presented to us in phototype, has a singularly engaging face. The first part of the address was devoted to the Grand Master's official acts, which included an unusually large number of visits to the constituent Lodges. Coming to the important subject of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, Brother Bishop said that this Grand Lodge,



at its last Annual Communication, voted to join the association and authorised him as Grand Master to attend the meeting to be held at Ceadr Rapids, Iowa, in November, 1919. He did not attend the meeting because he was not in sympathy with the organisation; but he had read everything that he could find upon the subject and given it careful consideration. His matured opinion was that nothing could be accomplished by membership in the association that had not already been accomplished, or, if not yet accomplished, could be better accomplished, through this Grand Lodge itself, which was in fraternal intercourse with all the Grand Jurisdictions that were members of the association, well as as others that were not. While he did not in the least impugn the motives of those who founded and favoured the association, he felt that it could and might lead this Grand Lodge and Masonry as a whole into pitfalls and dangers. The constitution and by-laws of the association provided for the case of a Grand Lodge withdrawing from membership upon notice and fulfilment of all its obligations to the association. The Grand Master therefore recommended that the Grand Lodge withdraw from the association, giving notice and paying the association the per capita assessment of one cent.

A great change of heart was apparently brought about in one short year, for the committee to which this recommendation was referred reported approval of it, and Grand Lodge (unanimously so far as appears) adopted the report.

Another remarkable thing was shown in the report of Grand Secretary Charles H. Jacobson. He said that it was his 16th annual report, and that at every one of the 16 Annual Communications he had come before Grand Lodge with a clean record showing that every Lodge had made due returns and paid all dues—not once in all those years had there been at the time of the Annual Communication a single Lodge delinquent. For this he quite properly praised the secretaries of the constituent Lodges. But we do not doubt that he at least set them a good example, and perhaps had to do a little nagging sometimes in order to get in all the returns in due time. Even with that, the condition described is quite unusual.

There appear to be 134 Lodges with an aggregate membership on the 31st July, 1920, of 23,790, and a net gain in a year of 2,533.

A year ago we noted the death of Past Grand Master Clarence M. Kellogg within 3 weeks after the close of the Grand Lodge session of 1919, at which he had presided as Grand Master. We now have his portrait and a memorial memorandum by the Committee on Necrology. He was born in 1859, at Mount Carroll, Illinois, spent the period of his youth and early manhood in Galesville, Wisconsin, whence he went to Colorado. Somewhat late in life he took up the study of the law and in 1898 began and continued to practise in Denver. His Masonic career commenced in Denver in 1889. He was a worker in all branches of Masonry, a kind and generous man, well-beloved in the Craft and the wider community outside of it. He died in Denver on the 27th October, 1919.

An older Past Grand Master, William David Todd, died on the 24th October, 1919. Born in Philadelphia in 1846, he was sent to his grandmother in Washington, at an early age, and in 1857 was appointed a page in the House of Representatives. He became confidential secretary to Schuyler Colfax, who was Speaker of the House and afterwards Vice-President of the United States. In 1865 he began to study law, and was admitted to practise in 1872. In 1873 he removed to Denver, where he began to practise, but very soon afterwards organised a bank and became its cashier. He was elected to the Colorado State Legislature in 1879, rendered many important public services, and had a great career in Masonry. Grand Master in 1888-89, and Grand Secretary from 1901 until 1904, he was a "a true Mason and a most loyal and courteous knight."

R. W. Bro. John H. Gabriel, Grand Orator, delivered a very telling speech upon the subject of the thought or mental power which fashioned the framework of the noble Order of Freemasonry.

The new Grand Master elected and installed at this Communication was Brother Haslett Platt Burke (portrait and biography), a lawyer and Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Colorado, living in Denver. He was born in Monona county, Iowa, in 1874; was admitted

to the Bar in Iowa in 1896 and in Colorado in the same year. He has had a distinguished Masonic career and is deservedly popular: "Possessed of culture and refinement, sound judgment and a thorough knowledge of the law, he adorns the judiciary of the State and honours the citizenship of Colorado. As a corollary our Craft will feel the inspiration of his leadership in a broader and more earnest determination to make Masonic ideals a reality in this Grand Jurisdiction."

Immediately before the ballot for the election of officers, Brother Burke, then Deputy Grand Master and Grand Master expectant, announced that he intended, if elected Grand Master, to depart from the usual custom of promoting the appointed officers of Grand Lodge in regular succession, the effect of which, followed by their election to the elective offices in the same regular rotation, was, that each Grand Master had the privilege of naming his remote successor. This was the unwritten law. But the written law provided that the Grand Stewards should be appointed by the Junior Grand Warden, the Junior Grand Deacon by the Senior Grand Warden, and that all other appointments should be made by the Grand Master. Brother Burke was strong for the written law as against the custom of strict rotation which had grown up. He intended to appoint no man because some one else had appointed him. He would make his own choice and the Wardens would make theirs, solely in the interest of the Grand Lodge—having regard to its highest welfare. This also was unusual, and doubtless required some courage. We agree with the new Grand Master entirely. In our own Grand Lodge the only right to promotion, recognised by usage though not by written law, is from the office of Deputy Grand Master every two years to that of Grand Master.

And now we come to the Report of the Committee on Correspondence presented by Brother S. C. Warner, Chairman, and Brothers Frank J. Reinhard and Charles McMillan. The report, apart from "the digest of proceedings," is not long and is quite interesting, so we give it in full:—

"The perusal of the reports of the proceedings of the different Grand Lodges in fraternal relations with

Colorado, for the past year, has not proven as interesting as for the two or three years previous. All the proceedings lack those expressions of loyalty and patriotism which characterised the meetings held during the progress of the war.

"The Masonic Service Association has been largely brought to the front. Most of the Jurisdictions have joined. A few, feeling that the emergency has passed, have failed to do so.

"The reports generally show a large increase in membership in the various Jurisdictions, and an apparently greater increase in interest in Masonry shown by the profane.

"The question of physical disability is now the most serious problem before the Craft, and a general tendency is shown to let down the bars. This prevails in some of our most conservative Jurisdictions.

"Adjustments have not yet been fully made, nor opinions fully formed as to the wisdom of the policy, almost universally adopted during the war, of initiations without regular investigation, legal ballots, legal delays, and the formalities which in the past surrounded the entrance of candidates into the Order. Further time must elapse before the influence of these various emotional activities can be fully determined.

"The recognition of French and other Latin Masonry is still a subject of interest to the Craft in general. The majority of those Grand Lodges which have delayed action now seem loth to waive a belief in Deity by the applicants for recognition.

"Your committee is still unprepared to advise the recognition of either the Grand Lodge or the Grand Orient of France, and recommends that no present action be taken in the matter.

"Despite the criticisms of some of the Correspondents in our sister Jurisdictions, your committee is still of the opinion that its province is to present to this Grand Lodge a resumé of the work of our sister Jurisdictions, without interposing an expression of its personal opinions.



"Our digest of the proceedings follows."

The digest or review is brief but of its kind excellent.

The proceedings of our own Grand Lodge in 1919 are noticed at some length, with quotations from Brother Ponton's Report on the Condition of Masonry.

Haslett P. Burke, Denver, Grand Master.

Charles H. Jacobson, Denver, Grand Secretary.

### **COLUMBIA (DISTRICT OF).**

Last year we had no proceedings from this important Jurisdiction to review. In 1919 those of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia in 1918 were before M. W. Brother Freed; and now in 1921 we have the proceedings for the year 1919—a somewhat tardy appearance.

Stated Communications of the Grand Lodge were held on the 8th March and the 14th May, 1919, a special Communication on the 21st November, 1919, the Annual Communication on the 17th December, and the St. John's<sup>1</sup> Day Communication on the 27th December, 1919, at all of which Brother Joseph Hercus Milans, M. W. Grand Master, presided.

This distinguished Brother was born in Pennsylvania, but his life from infancy has been spent in Washington. He is a patent lawyer in large practice, and is still in the prime of life. He holds high rank in all branches of Masonry, and is, as the writer of a short appreciation says, "beloved by the Craft."

At the Stated Communication in March, a Lodge of Instruction was constituted, and the work of "purging" a Lodge preparatory to opening on the Master Mason degree, the ceremony of the reception of the Grand Master, and the esoteric portions of the work of the three degrees, were exemplified. "The Grand Master spoke of the great value and importance of these Communications in maintaining the work and transmitting it unimpaired to our successors, and congratulated the Brethren present upon the pleasure and profit they had derived from the work of the evening."



The principal business at the May Communication was the presentation of a report of the Committee on Jurisprudence in regard to the Masonic Service Association of the United States. The committee recommended "that this Grand Lodge approve the constitution as adopted," that is, the constitution of the association, "and accept the responsibility and privileges outlined therein." This recommendation was adopted.

The invitation to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary to attend the Peace Celebration of the Grand Lodge of England in June, 1919, was read at this meeting and promptly accepted. "The Grand Master," says the record, "was authorised to accept the invitation for himself and the Grand Secretary, and a sufficient sum was appropriated to defray the expenses of the attendance of both." This was doing the thing handsomely. In another part of the volume we are told that these two representatives attended the celebration in London; and at the Annual Communication the Grand Master gave a glowing account of what he heard and saw and of the honours accorded to him and the Grand Secretary by their English Brethren.

The Special Communication of November was held for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Masonic Temple erected by Stansbury Lodge in the City of Washington. General Pershing and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, both members of the Craft, assisted in the ceremonies, and the latter gave "a brief and interesting address." The gravel used by the Grand Master in the work of the day was the identical instrument used by Brother George Washington in the laying of the corner-stone of the United States Capitol, and was lent for the occasion by Potomac Lodge—it is a sacred treasure in Masonry.

The Communication of the 17th December, 1919, was the 109th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. The address of Grand Master Joseph Hercus Milans occupies a good deal of space in the volume, but that is largely because, as in a lawyer's brief, the correspondence on matters referred to is set out at full length. He said, among other things, that Masonry welcomes into its fold all men so far

as their qualifications will permit. The Masons of the District need not be alarmed at the number—2,054—raised during the year 1919, considering that 313 had been rejected. He discussed at some length the advisability of relaxing the rules as to residence and physical disability. Among many rulings made during the year was one that blindness was an insuperable bar to admission to the Order.

The Grand Master announced the result of a successful appeal for funds to complete the building of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Washington, and the fact that the building had been actually finished.

He commended to the Brethren the appeal of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association for funds to carry out the plan of erecting and maintaining a memorial building destined to become the centre of great Masonic gatherings.

Many other important matters were mentioned in the address.

Brother Thomas H. Young, the Grand Lecturer, reported that he had visited every Lodge in the Jurisdiction and had found that the work and lectures of the degrees had been carefully adhered to. By order of the Grand Master, the Grand Lecturer constituted an Actual Past Masters' Lodge, and conferred that degree on those Brethren who had been elected to preside over their respective Lodges and who were entitled and required by law to receive the same previous to their installation as Masters. This, we confess, is to us a discovery—in our Jurisdiction the degree, if such it can be called, is conferred as a part of the ceremony of installation by a Board of Installed Masters, Masons of lesser rank being temporarily excluded from the Lodge-room.

The large volume before us is not indexed, and if it **does** contain a report of the Grand Secretary we have not been able to find it. We have found a statistical table, from which we deduce that there are 30 Lodges, with a total membership on the 30th September, 1919, of 13,723, and a net gain in one year of 1,871.

At the St. John's Day Communication many reports were presented, and the Grand Master, who was described

as "one of the youngest men who ever served as Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia"—he is only a little over 40 we gather—was presented with a testimonial in the shape of a grandfather's clock.

The new officers were elected and installed at this meeting. We notice that our old associate Roe Fulkerson is Senior Grand Deacon, no doubt climbing the ladder of promotion with the same regularity as in the Grand Chapter, and adding to the gayety of both institutions as he goes up.

The Committee on Correspondence, by George W. Baird, P. G. M., Chairman, presented its 20th annual report "on the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges together with a few other subjects which appear of immediate interest to the Grand Lodge." The "subjects" are various and important. They are found in the "Conclusion." Brother Baird is a warm advocate of the Masonic Service Association. He echoes its expression of regard for the United Grand Lodge of England, and says, with the best kind of fraternal feeling, "Our eyes have ever been turned towards England for light in Masonry." Taking up the Grand Jurisdictions in the accepted alphabetical order, he has some kind things to say about the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario). In particular he compliments our Grand Secretary on the neatness and finish of his work. Brother Baird is a man of very pronounced opinions. It appears that he had said in a former review, or was credited with saying, that "Protestants are the only Christians." He now concedes that there may be individual Christians in other creeds. Both the Latin and Eastern Churches are anathema to him. Another opinion is that "the United States, with all its philanthropy, is the most hated nation extant." His line is entirely different from that of the humorous Roe Fulkerson, but he is equally entertaining, and is master of an excellent style.

We have found—in spite of the want of an index—that the volume from "the deestrick" is very pleasant reading.

J. Harry Cunningham, Masonic Temple, Washington, D. C., Grand Master.

Arvine W. Johnston, Masonic Temple, Washington, D. C., Grand Secretary.

## CONNECTICUT.

An unfortunate circumstance having a bearing on our attempt to do justice to a large book, the 132nd annual report of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, is that pages 33 to 64 inclusive have been unkindly left out by the binder; and the great misfortune is that these pages contain, as we gather from references in the reports of committees, what is really the meat of the Grand Master's address. What is left is chiefly an account of his visits, which were numerous and are described in an interesting way, with humorous touches. The Grand Master evidently kept a diary, and he has made us free of it.

Before touching on the proceedings at the Annual Communication, we must refer briefly to two Special Communications held in 1919—it is the volume for the year ending on the 4th February, 1920, which is before us.

An Emergent Communication was held in the Administration building of the Masonic Home, Wallingford, Connecticut, on Saturday the 17th May, 1919, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new fireproof building of the Masonic Home. Past Grand Master Leonard J. Nickerson made a short address, in which he narrated the inception and early history of the organisation of the Masonic Charity Foundation, recounting the zealous and unselfish work of the pioneers, and gave interesting reminiscences of the establishment and dedication of the Home in 1895. He congratulated M. W. Bro. Wallace S. Moyle, the Grand Master, and the Craft, "on the fact that his efficient work in securing the necessary funds had now resulted in affording him the privilege of Masonically laying, as Grand Master, the corner-stone of an edifice which will eliminate the fearful risk of fire, with its appalling consequence in loss of life under which we have so long laboured."

On Saturday the 13th December, 1919, the new Masonic Home building was dedicated by the Grand Master, with elaborate and appropriate ceremonies. On this occasion, we note, a "Hymn to Charity," the words of which were written by the Grand Master himself, was sung to a tune called "America"—which, however, we take to be the familiar air "God Save the King." We

take leave to transcribe the verses of the accomplished Masonic dignitary:—

“Staff of humanity,  
This Home we owe to Thee,  
This resting place.  
A Mason’s Charity,  
Wide as the world shall be,  
Through all eternity  
Free as God’s grace.

“When age hath dimmed the sight,  
And manhood lost its might,  
Here refuge stands  
Son of the Square and Plumb,  
Here brothers bid thee come,  
Till called to that last Home,  
Not made with hands.

“Almighty Deity,  
Key Stone of Masonry,  
Grant thou this prayer:  
Ne’er from our Craft depart;  
Open each Craftsman’s heart:  
Receive us when we part  
Upon the Square.”

The 132nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut was held in the Masonic Temple, Hartford, on the 4th and 5th February, 1920. M. W. Bro. Wallace S. Moyle, who presided, is represented by a portrait, which proclaims him as a man of action as well as a student and a poet. We find no biography; and we have told all we know of him, except that he lives in New Haven, and that his 52nd birthday occurred during his year of office—he set the date down in his Masonic diary. As an example of his prose style, we give the conclusion of his address, mercifully spared to us by the erring binder :—

“We turn another page of time’s unending record. A fateful year for humanity, after years of suffering and gloom, taking the first feeble steps toward the light of healing and of peace; groping, uncertain steps. As never before, we are all called upon to labour and serve, to save and give.



"It has been a year pregnant with rich promise for Masonry. We Brethren of this great Order, numbering in this land alone nigh to two and one quarter millions of loyal Americans, pledge to the nation and to the world that we will perform our duty to the full; and this by the token of our ancient landmarks, God the Father and Man the Brother."

The report of Past Grand Master George A. Kies, Grand Secretary, shows great progress in the year 1919. We give some of the figures: number of Lodges, 112, all making returns; number initiated during the year, 2,687; died, 520; total membership at the end of the year, 31,298; net gain in membership for the year, 1,925.

The following clause in the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence was adopted by Grand Lodge;—

*"Resolved, that the conferring of the degrees of Masonry by Connecticut Rock Lodge No. 92 in the German language was contrary to the express resolution passed by this Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication of 1919, and that any further action by Connecticut Rock Lodge, in any manner, either in the transaction of business or conferring of degrees, in any language except the English language, shall constitute a forfeiture of its charter, and the Grand Master shall immediately take possession of the same and suspend all further action by that Lodge until the next session of the Grand Lodge."*

The death, on the 13th July, 1919, of Randolph B. Chapman, who was Grand Master in 1911, was recorded. He was born in Connecticut in 1848—"a good and perfect gentleman and upright Mason."

A sum of \$1,500 was appropriated to meet the requirements of the Masonic Service Association.

The Report on Correspondence was prepared by Grand Secretary Kies—his 7th annual review of the transactions of other Grand Lodges. The proceedings of our Grand Lodge in 1919, in Toronto, are well summarised. The whole report is excellent, though highly condensed. Brother Kies is master of the excellent art of telling much in few words. Anent "French Masonry" he refers to the argument that "the splendid service of

France in the war for humanity makes Masonic recognition a duty as payment of a debt of gratitude," and remarks: "The last argument may be dismissed as unduly magnifying, extending, and confusing an abstract sentiment with Masonic duty. On the same grounds, we might demand that Protestant Churches in America should officially recognise the Romish Church, which is still the prevailing sect in France. Masonry will live long after this war-hysteria has subsided. Whatever action is taken in this matter should be based upon the best permanent interests of the entire Fraternity."

This is solid sense.

Charles C. Perkins, New London, Grand Master.

George A. Kies, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

### DELAWARE.

We congratulate the new Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Delaware on the issue of the volumes of proceedings for both 1919 and 1920 in time for our review of 1921. A year ago we commented on the fact that the volumes of Delaware proceedings before us in 1920 were those of 1917 and 1918. Doubtless the issue will hereafter be up to date.

At the 114th Annual Communication, held in Wilmington on the 1st and 2nd October, 1919, Grand Master A. Victor Hughes (of whom there is a portrait) presided and delivered an address in which he spoke of prosperity and harmony and recounted his official acts. He had visited 21 of the 22 Lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction, and upon four of his visits was presented, much to his embarrassment, with tokens of the fraternal regard of the four Lodges. (We may say that our own Grand Master of 1919-21 has got over the embarrassment of splendid gifts showered upon him.) The Grand Master endorsed the programme of the Masonic Service Association of the United States and recommended its adoption; commended the Delaware Masonic Home to the Brethren; and spoke approvingly of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association. The Grand Lodge expressed its approval of the constitution of the Service Association and accepted the responsibility and privileges outlined therein; adopted a report upon the George Washington

Association, recommending a "State-wide campaign" for funds at the proper time; but apparently made no appropriation for the Home out of Grand Lodge funds, the policy probably being to leave the financial support of the Home to the constituent Lodges and individual Masons

The Grand Secretary's statistics showed 22 constituent Lodges, 4,381 Master Masons on the 24th June, 1919, and a net gain in membership of 208 for the year ending on that day.

The new Grand Secretary is John F. Robinson, of Wilmington.

There is no correspondence report.

The 115th Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, on the 6th and 7th October, 1920, Grand Master Harry Mayer (portrait but no biography) presiding. Distinguished visitors from the Grand Lodges of Maryland, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Pennsylvania, were received and honoured.

The Grand Master referred in his address to the death of John B. Book on the 20th November, 1919. Brother Book was Grand Master in 1892. Particulars as to his life and character are not given.

All of the 22 constituent Lodges had been visited by the Grand Master during his year of office. He noted that peace and harmony very generally prevailed; that the Lodges were experiencing an unprecedented increase in membership; and that the Fraternity in Delaware was ever ready to respond to the call of distressed humanity.

Speaking of the Masonic Home, the Most Worshipful called attention to the need for enlargement, the desirability of adding an infirmary, and provision for personal attendance upon the infirm. The report of the Board of Managers showed that the gifts to the Home for the year ending in September, 1920, exceeded those of the previous year by about \$1,500. There are 12 guests in the Home.

No less than 64 per cent. of all the Master Masons in Delaware are members of Lodges in Wilmington; and so,

as the Grand Master said, the welfare of the Craft in Delaware is largely dependent upon conditions prevailing in Wilmington. The providing of a new and larger Masonic Temple in Wilmington was advocated accordingly. "Eventually, why not now?" was the Grand Master's query. This was not really a matter for the Grand Lodge's consideration, and we find no further reference to it.

An interesting statement was made by the Grand Master in reference to an eminent predecessor, Gunning Bedford junior, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, who was born in Philadelphia in 1747, and was Grand Master in 1806, 1807, and 1808.

"He was Attorney-General of the State and member of the General Assembly of Delaware, of the Continental Congress from 1783 to 1787, a member of the Convention which framed the Constitution of the United States, and a signer of that great document; and it was largely through his efforts that Delaware, in common with Rhode Island and other small States, was put upon an equality with the larger States in numerical representation in the United States Senate. In 1789 he was appointed, by President George Washington, Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, which office he held until his death." Gunning Bedford died in 1812, being then 65 years of age, and was buried in a churchyard in Wilmington, over which a suitable monument bearing an inscription was erected. The Grand Master recommended, with the concurrence of the existent branches of the Gunning Bedford family, that the mortal remains and the monument be removed to the grounds of the Masonic Home of Delaware, and that an addition be made to the inscription, setting forth the Masonic rank of the deceased and the facts as to the removal. This recommendation was adopted—the expenses to be paid out of Grand Lodge funds.

A short report of the Grand Instructor, Harry F. Newlin, set forth that a Lodge of Instruction was held in the Masonic Temple in Wilmington every Saturday night from the 18th October, 1919, to the 15th May, 1920, inclusive; that all the Lodges in the State were visited for work and instruction; and that the meetings were well



attended and the officers showed a marked improvement in their work. This is modestly stated, but speaks volumes.

The Grand Treasurer, Charles A. Bamberger, reported a surplus on hand of \$5,421.12, an increase of more than \$1,000.

Delaware is not a large State, nor is the Grand Lodge a large or wealthy one, but it is progressing steadily and apparently doing excellent work. The statistics of the new Grand Secretary, John F. Robinson, are significant: number of Lodges, 22; number of Master Masons on the 24th June, 1920, 4,931; net gain in a year, 545.

Past Grand Master Thomas J. Day presents a condensed but very instructive and well-framed report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, reviewing the transactions of 64 Grand Lodges, of which Canada (in the Province of Ontario) is one.

William J. Highfield, Wilmington, Grand Master.

John F. Robinson, Wilmington, Grand Secretary.

### ENGLAND.

We have, in separate parts, records of the proceedings of the United Grand Lodge of England at its Quarterly Communications and at its Annual Grand Festival in 1920.

The first Quarterly Communication was held in Freemasons' Hall, London, on the 3rd March. Lord Ampthill, the Pro Grand Master, presided. At this meeting H.R.H. The Duke of Connaught and Strathearn was unanimously re-elected Grand Master for the ensuing 12 months, whereof formal proclamation was made. The meeting was for business, and nothing of special interest is recorded.

The Annual Grand Festival, 1920, held at Freemasons' Hall, London, on the 28th April, is the next in order of time. The Grand Master, His Royal Highness Arthur Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, was on the Throne, and was supported by numerous dignitaries, chief among whom were Lord Ampthill Pro Grand Master, The Right Honourable Sir Thomas Frederick Halsey, Deputy Grand Master, and Viscount Cave, Senior Grand Warden.



Lord Cave , later in the year, visited Canada, was the guest of honour at several Masonic gatherings, and made a strong and most favourable impression upon the Craft here.

At the Festival, proclamations were made, Grand Officers appointed, and honorary rank conferred upon distinguished Brethren.

The Pro Grand Master, on behalf of the Brethren assembled, thanked the Grand Master for his presence on this occasion. He said (in part): "We fully understand that it is not possible for your Royal Highness to come amongst us except on rare occasions, but we know that whenever it is possible you are more than willing to honour our assemblies. We know that your Royal Highness has no time which is not devoted to public duties; and that those public duties are more frequent and more multifarious than fall to the lot of any of His Majesty's subjects. The Craft has flourished exceedingly under your rule; we have come out of the period of the long and terrible war stronger than ever, stronger in numbers, enthusiasm, and confidence, and stronger in activity. Throughout the Craft there is, I venture to say, a new sense of duty, a consciousness of a great opportunity, and a fresh determination to advance the dignity and high importance of Freemasonry."

The Grand Master made a feeling response, and alluded to a matter of great importance as follows:—

"I would not like to finish the few remarks I have addressed to you without thanking the Provinces, and especially the Districts abroad, for the warm manner in which they are supporting the proposal to have an adequate central home in London for the Craft. It is a subject I have very deeply at heart. In view of the enormous and increasing number of Masons, we have outgrown our present home; and it is a necessity to my mind, and I hope it will be recognised, to have more suitable buildings, capable of holding those who wish to attend here. The scene we have witnessed this evening, when from two to three hundred Brethren have been turned away because of the inability to find room, is proof of the necessity of such a Home."

The official record of the attendance showed only 976 present, of whom 9 were Past Masters from overseas.

The next Communication was held on the 2nd June, 1920, at which the Pro Grand Master presided.

A deputation from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, consisting of the Grand Master Mason of Scotland (Brigadier-General Robert Gordon Gordon-Gilmour of Craigmillar), the Grand Master Mason Depute (the Earl of Eglinton and Winton), and the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland (V. W. Bro. David Reid), was introduced and received in due form.

Lord Amptill, in welcoming the Scottish deputation, recalled a visit made by him to the Grand Lodge of Scotland in the autumn of 1919, and said that it was a very great advantage to him to learn something personally about Masonry in Scotland. The impression made upon his mind by his visit to the two most ancient Lodges in North Britain would not easily fade away. He then told something of interest about those two Lodges, which we take leave to transcribe:—

“Those two Lodges—the lodge of Edinburgh Mary Chapel No. 1 and the Lodge Canongate Kilwinning—possess written records of their proceedings dating as far back as the year 1596, when not only some of their members but most of them were actually operative Masons. The second is that in the fair city of Edinburgh you have a venerable and historic house which has been devoted solely to Freemasonry for more than three centuries, and I wish we could make a similar boast here. I have never seen a more moving or impressive rendering of the ceremony of the 3rd Degree than I witnessed in that beautiful home of Lodge Canongate Kilwinning. And I gained some knowledge of the earnestness of Scottish Freemasons when I had to take a solemn obligation on my admission to the privilege of honorary membership.”

The Grand Master Mason of Scotland was not less generous. He said:—

“It is a very great event to come here. All over the world the Grand Lodge of England is looked on as a pattern and example of what Freemasonry should be, and it

is by coming in contact with the Brethren of this Grand Lodge that others hope to improve themselves."

Benevolence on a grand scale is the outstanding feature of English Masonry, nor are Ireland and Scotland behind in this respect, unless it be in degree, for they are poorer countries. At this meeting a message was read from the Grand Master of England inviting appropriate action on the part of Grand Lodge in behalf of the people of the town of Louth who had just suffered a grievous calamity. A sum of 500 guineas was at once and unanimously voted and forwarded for the relief of the sufferers.

The report of the Board of General Purposes showed that the number of private Lodges on the Grand Lodge register at the end of 1919 was 3,442.

At this meeting full recognition was accorded to the Grand Lodge of Queensland as an independent and sovereign body having jurisdiction in the State of Queensland.

We alluded a year ago to the disapprobation expressed in regard to the publication in newsprints of accounts of proceedings at Lodge meetings. The subject is still receiving anxious attention. With the phenomenal growth of Masonry, it may be that the public is more interested in it than formerly; but an earnest attempt is being made to curb the tendency to giving publicity to matters which should not be alluded to outside the walls of Lodges.

At the Quarterly Communication of the 1st September, 1920, the Pro Grand Master was on the Throne. A portrait of Sir Thomas Frederick Halsey, who had been made a Baronet since the Grand Festival, was unveiled, and his great work for Masonry during the war was commended in a speech by the Pro Grand Master and a letter from the Grand Master. The report of the Board of General Purposes, presented at this meeting, contained information of the satisfactory progress made by the special committee on the Masonic Peace Memorial. The memorial is to take the form of an adequate and suitable building for the housing of Grand Lodge. The Board asked and received approval of a purchase of property in Great Queen street, London, adjoining the present property of Grand Lodge.

We have also before us the Minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 1st December, 1920. Perhaps the most interesting feature of this meeting was the presentation of a further report of the special committee of Grand Lodge on the Masonic Peace Memorial. The collection of money and creation of a fund is of course the first object which the committee has in view. The aim is to raise during the next 5 years a sum amounting to an average of 5 guineas per member in the Masonic Districts of the home country. It is well-known that Lodges under the United Grand Lodge of England are scattered all over the world, and it is interesting to read this paragraph in the report:—

“The Lodges not under districts—of which there now are 63 on the Grand Lodge register—though scattered and in many instances strikingly isolated, are lending valuable support to the movement. In various cases, geographical position and local conditions delay correspondence; but it is of especial interest to note a contribution of £420 from members of the Mesopotamia Lodge at Basra, a Lodge which is the direct outcome of the Peace the Memorial is meant to celebrate.”

But the most interesting event—that is, interesting to the Masonic World—in connection with the Grand Lodge of England, is yet to be told. The news comes in the shape of a report of the “Formation of Queensland Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.” It begins thus: “A meeting of the Delegates of Lodges holding under the District Grand Lodge of England, the District Grand Lodge of South Queensland and the District Grand Lodge of North Queensland under the Scottish Constitution, was held on Friday the 30th April, 1920, at the Masonic Hall, Alice street, Brisbane.” The purpose was the formation of an independent Grand Lodge, the welding of the English and Scottish Lodges in the State of Queensland into a temporary grand body, looking to a union with the established (though technically schismatic) Grand Lodge of Queensland. The formal procedure is detailed in the report. The Grand Lodge was established under the name of “The Queensland Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.” The procedure was similar to that adopted in Canada in 1858. Further steps have probably been taken for the full consummation of the

union, but we have as yet no report of them. The recognition given on the 2nd June, 1920, as noted above, points to a complete union. Doubtless a United Grand Lodge of Queensland has by this time (June, 1921) been formed by the amalgamation of the Grand Bodies; and that is certainly a great event in the Masonic World.

H. R. H. The Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, Grand Master.

P. Colville Smith, Freemasons' Hall, London, Grand Secretary.

### IDAHO.

In the Masonic year of this Grand Lodge from September, 1919, to September, 1920, death was again busy among distinguished Craftsmen. The tributes paid to two Past Grand Masters by the Ruling Grand Master may well be recorded:—

“In the death of Brother Charles Himrod, which occurred in Boise, January 26, 1920, this Grand Lodge was called upon to mourn the loss of one of the greatest, noblest, and most consistent characters in the history of the Jurisdiction. He was Grand Master in 1879, served faithfully and efficiently as Grand Treasurer from 1889 until 1917, a period of 28 years, and had an unbroken record of attendance at Grand Lodge of 44 years. As a citizen, as a business man, and as a Mason, he was ever loyal, capable, and honourable. During a long and useful career he won and retained the respect, confidence, and admiration of all who were privileged to know him, and he lived a life well worthy of emulation. Brother Himrod was buried under the auspices of the Grand Lodge with all the solemnities of the Craft.

“Brother Samuel B. Connelly, Grand Master in 1870, passed away March 13, 1920, at the venerable age of 98 years, 5 months, and 12 days. He was another of our old pioneers, having come to Idaho in 1863. He was a carpenter by trade, but in later years engaged in placer mining. Whilst Brother Connelly was not as active in Masonry as many of our other Past Grand Masters, yet he was thoroughly familiar with the esoteric



work of the three degrees and was gifted with a remarkable memory. He was a man with a happy turn of mind, living and enjoying the present, with little concern for the future. He was a genial companion, a generous friend, and was ever ready to lend a helping hand. The Grand Lodge was convened in Emergent Communication and reverently laid to rest the body of our deceased brother."

The 53rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho was held in the Masonic Temple, Boise, on the 14th, 15th, and 16th September, 1920. Grand Master Arch Cunningham presided and delivered an address in which the most striking passage was the declaration that "Masonic education is the key-note of to-day." This was enlarged upon in the Grand Secretary's report; and the Grand Master recommended that a committee be appointed to give the whole subject a careful and painstaking investigation, to the end that something tangible might be presented for consideration at the next Annual Communication. The recommendation was approved by a special committee and adopted by Grand Lodge.

In September, 1920, there were 67 Lodges in the Idaho Jurisdiction, including some under dispensation, with an aggregate membership of 6,934; net gain in a year, 954.

A committee of Grand Lodge, after careful consideration, recommended withdrawal from membership in the Masonic Service Association. It appeared to the committee that any benefit to be derived from membership in the association would not be commensurate with the cost. The original ground for the creation of the association had been removed, the committee said, and the plans for future work appeared to be too vague and indefinite to command the hearty support necessary to accomplish anything worth while. The recommendation for withdrawal was accompanied by another—that all obligations of this Grand Lodge to the association to date be paid out of the general fund. These recommendations were adopted.

The same committee recommended that the invitation to Grand Lodge to join in the Masonic Charities Fund movement initiated by the Grand Chapter of Idaho be declined. This recommendation, too, was adopted.

The Grand Master, with pardonable pride, told Grand Lodge that he had visited in his official capacity every one of the 67 Lodges in the Jurisdiction. With a very few exceptions, he said, they were in a prosperous condition, both as to finances and membership, and a great many petitions for the degrees were being received. Several new temples were in course of construction and a number of others contemplated.

Grand Secretary George E. Knepper is also the writer of the Report on Foreign Correspondence, his 19th annual, fully up to the high mark of that of 1919. There appear to be 64 reviews, most of them of proceedings of 1919. "Canada" (1919) receives fair and courteous treatment in brief space. Almost as much space is given to the conventional words of welcome uttered by the Mayor of Toronto—in 1919 the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario) met in Toronto—as to the weighty opinions of the learned Past Grand Master Freed; but that is because these civic addresses of welcome are (*mirabile dictu*) rare in the United States. More space is given to quotation from and comment upon R. W. Bro. Ponton's Report on the Condition of Masonry, which has evoked expressions of admiration and approval from many quarters. Under "California," Brother Knepper is rather faint in his praise of the new prophet Jesse M. Whited—though he admits a successful pursuit of the "topical plan."

J. Edgar Meek, Caldwell, Grand Master.

George E. Knepper, Boise, Grand Secretary.

## ILLINOIS.

Many things of interest and importance are set down in the large volume of proceedings for 1920 now before us, but perhaps the most notable is that the Grand Lodge of Illinois, with its immense membership of 203,000 Masons, has decided against taking membership in the Masonic Service Association of the United States. The learned reviewer, Past Grand Master Delman D. Darrah, of Bloomington, indeed believes that "ultimately all Grand Lodges will be united in some sort of an organisation which will tend to unite and direct the energy of the Fraternity toward a definite purpose and a higher reality;"

but a special committee unanimously reported unfavourably, and the Grand Master, Daniel G. Fitzgerald, in his address said:—

“It was the feeling that it was the opening wedge to a General Grand Lodge. If not, it had no other visible function. Each Grand Lodge in case of great emergencies can act more speedily and effectively without waiting for the machinery of the Service Association to get in motion. The expense would be large. A per capita tax of 5 cents is provided for in the law of the Service Association. This would amount to some \$10,000 each year for Illinois. For these reasons, I recommend that Illinois, with a number of other Grand Lodges, do not become a member of the Masonic Service Association of the United States.”

The report of the special committee and the recommendation of the Grand Master were adopted by Grand Lodge.

The 81st Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was held in the Oriental Consistory Building, Chicago, on the 12th, 13th, and 14th October; the aforesaid Grand Master Fitzgerald presiding.

The passing of three members of Grand Lodge who held or had held important positions therein, but none of whom had reached the highest pinnacle, was the subject of some feeling remarks by the Grand Master. Joseph E. Dyas was a Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Illinois and of the General Grand Chapter of the United States. He had been a member of Grand Lodge and had served continuously on its committees for 40 years. Charles F. Tenney had worked hard as a Grand Lecturer and a District Deputy Grand Master and was in office as a Grand Steward when called hence. Anthony Doherty was Junior Grand Warden at the time of his death, and, though not a young man, would doubtless have attained higher office had he lived.

The general statement of the Grand Master was that the Homes at Sullivan and La Grange were in excellent condition; but that the excessive cost of all the essentials of life made it pretty difficult to finance them. A discussion of the needed improvements and the money question formed part of the address. A recommendation that the

sum of \$57,142.47 left in the National Defence Fund should be appropriated for the construction of additional buildings to be erected at La Grange was adopted by Grand Lodge. The total contributions to charity for the year ending on the 30th June, 1920, amounted to \$102,534.26.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association's claims were warmly supported by the Most Worshipful. Upon his recommendation, Grand Lodge appropriated the sum of \$5,000 as a gift to the funds of the Association; and excellent progress was reported in regard to the campaign among the constituent Lodges and individual members. From these sources there was on hand nearly \$60,000. Brother Darrah, the reviewer, to whose remarks we always turn with confidence, says that "the project has advanced now to such a degree that it cannot possibly fail."

There is much more in the address of the Grand Master which might be given to our readers, could space be afforded for it. Somewhat pathetically he spoke of his year of office as "a trying, busy year," and hinted at mistakes that had been made in "spite of great endeavour on his part and thankfully acknowledged assistance received from his associates and the Craft generally. He could not avoid, thinking of what Masons did for each other, the aspiration that all men might "come together in the spirit of helpfulness rather than strife and greed."

The report of the Grand Treasurer, Bro. Leroy A. Goddard, showed a balance on hand of \$186,762.59—a nice little sum.

There were on the 30th June, 1920, the end of the financial year, 885 chartered Lodges, with a total membership of 203,447; net gain for the year, 23,915.

We have already referred to the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. It is Bro. Darrah's third annual report. He has spared no pains with it; indeed he had to take more than ordinary pains, for he was strictly compelled to severe condensation, and, as all writers and preachers know, it is easier to prepare a long report or a long sermon than a short one. Suffice it to say that, in spite of space-limitations, the essential



things will all be found in this report, which is distinctive in thought and language, the product of the pen of a ready writer. Our Grand Lodge—which, like most reviewers, speaks of as “Canada”, the words “in the Province of Ontario” being regarded as negligible, — receives due attention and discriminating attention, which is always gratefully appreciated.

Daniel G. Fitzgerald, Normal, Grand Master (re-elected.)

Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, Grand Secretary.

## INDIANA.

It is customary in the Hoosier State to have a musical entertainment immediately before the meeting of Grand Lodge. Before the 1920 proceedings were opened, some very delightful music was furnished by eminent artists, followed by an address upon the subject of “Our French Orphans” by Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery, U. S. A. To this entertainment and to the Grand Lodge sessions were bidden on this occasion the secretaries of all the Lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction. To the large number of 361 they were the guests of Grand Lodge, not being, except perhaps in a few cases, members of that body. The importance to Grand Lodge of the work of these men was thus recognised. They attended the forenoon session of the first day. Luncheon was then provided for them, and in the afternoon they went by special train from Indianapolis to visit the Indiana Masonic Home at Franklin. In the evening there was an amateur dramatic entertainment; and in the following forenoon the secretaries met in special session under the presidency of the Grand Secretary, and heard addresses. The Grand Secretary gave some instruction upon the duties of secretaries, and congratulated the assembled officers upon the fact that for 15 years not a single Lodge had failed to make its report in ample time and pay the dues without becoming delinquent.

The 99th Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, Indianapolis, on the 25th and 26th May, 1920 (the 103rd year of the Grand Lodge). The address given by Grand Master Charles J. Orbison



was, we venture to think, of unusual merit. He began with the remark that it had been a glorious year for the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction. The gain had been tremendous—13,000 names had been added to the roll of Master Masons, and there were at the time of speaking more than 100,000 men in Indiana bound together by Masonic ties. He did not fail to emphasise the responsibility arising from the situation. "To speak sweetly, sanely, purely; to act honestly, righteously, and honourably; to live unselfishly, nobly, and uprightly, with a trust in God and an ambition to serve our neighbours—these are our responsibilities as Masons to the world." The Grand Master spoke of his visits to the various Lodges. His experience had been a strenuous one, but he had enjoyed it, and believed that his visits had been of service to the Lodges—they need, he said, the inspiration which can be given by the officers of Grand Lodge if they do their duty faithfully.

The George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association received its meed of attention. The sum of \$1,000 had already been voted as a contribution to the funds of the association; and a campaign for the purpose of raising at least \$1 per head from the 100,000 Masons of the State should be undertaken in the near future—"to perpetuate the memory of Washington and build a shrine that shall reflect the patriotic sentiment of the Masons of our great nation." This was concurred in by Grand Lodge.

Wise and true words were said by the Grand Master upon the subject of the Masonic Service Association. He had attended the second annual session of that body. "I was impressed", he said, "with the expressed desire of all the Brethren for a closer fellowship and a greater opportunity for unified endeavour along Masonic lines. I was not so much impressed with the ideas of some of the Brethren as to the direction in which such endeavour should move, nor have I been convinced that the constitution which was adopted at the conference does not permit an invasion of the sovereign rights of each Grand Jurisdiction. The very fact that the association has the power of making a levy of 5 cents per member on each Grand Jurisdiction, with the added power of disbursing such fund without any action on the part of each Grand

body, would make it appear that each Grand Jurisdiction where the assessment was levied and collected was giving up its sovereignty and authority over a portion of the funds collected under its orders from all of the Lodges within such Jurisdiction. With many of the expressed purposes of the association, I am in the heartiest accord. Indiana is already on record as favouring an annual conference of Grand Masters and Grand Representatives. I also believe in inter-visitation, where the Brethren of one Jurisdiction can get the inspiration and uplift that comes with a message from another Jurisdiction. I also believe in a centralised bureau for Masonic education, from which will go forth literature and speakers upon Masonic subjects where a particular Grand Jurisdiction seeks such aid. These subjects are covered in the expressed purposes of the association. But the association, under its present constitution, seeks to go much farther, and it is because of the dangerous tendency to destroy the absolute sovereignty of the individual Grand Lodges that I cannot recommend that this Grand Lodge join the association until our sovereignty is more fully safeguarded and the scope and limitations of the association more sharply defined. I appreciate the Masonic vision of the Brethren of the association who are seeking to make the world comprehend more fully the meaning of Fraternity, and I trust that the time will come when the landmarks of the association will be so clearly defined that Indiana can be included among those who are members thereof. In the meantime we bid the association Godspeed in their work."

The Grand Master's view was accepted by Grand Lodge.

Speaking of the Indiana Masonic Home, he said that the Masons of Indiana had no more than scratched the surface of benevolence. As the result of a "Masonic Home Day" approximately \$11,500 had been raised in 1919. That was the best year in the history of the Home, and yet the amount raised represented only about 11 cents per capita.

We have seldom read a more lucid and convincing address than that given by Grand Master Orbison, in simple and vigorous language which marks him scholar as well as thinker and man of action. (By a chance refer-

ence we learn that he is a lawyer, which we might have guessed.)

R. W. Brother Calvin W. Prather, Grand Secretary, presented a very interesting report, in which he said, among other things, that the feeling of fraternity between Lodges was remarkable. During the year, 11,383 Master Masons had been made; the total membership was 98-170; and the net gain for the year 10,022, nearly double the increase of any previous year. His information was that the newly added members were generally of high character. There are 567 active Lodges.

The Report of the Directors of the Home is a voluminous document. It is manifest that a great work is being done; there is a demand for more building and of course for more money, which it may well be believed the Masons of the Hoosier State will provide.

Lincoln V. Cravens, who was born in 1864 at Vienna, Scott County, Indiana, died in August, 1919, of tuberculosis. He was Grand Master of Indiana Masons in 1906. He, too, was a lawyer and a leader in Masonic and civil life. His home at the time of his death was in Hammond, Indiana, where he had a large practice.

What we have told is only a small part of what was said and done at a truly business session of Grand Lodge. We really mentioned only a few of the many important recommendations, reports, and resolutions, which were discussed and passed upon by the whole body of Masons present.

We must not omit mention of the Indiana Annual Masonic Review, the 7th opus of the learned Past Grand Master Elmer F. Gay—the printer last year made us refer to him as “Elmer W. Day.” We infer that our printed proceedings for 1919 did not reach him, for “Canada (in Ontario)” is not one of the 50 Grand Lodges whose proceedings are reviewed; and in “Canada Membership Table,” which precedes the review, the figures given are for 1918, those of the other Canadian Grand Lodges being for 1919. From this table we learn that there are 1,111 Lodges in the Dominion of Canada and 121,212 members—the figures should really be somewhere between 130,000 and 140,000 The United States Membership Table

shows 15,088 Lodges and 2,088,269 members. Brother Gay is an able reviewer—he shews his skill by condensing his reviews so that only about 100 pages of the volume are taken up by them, and displays good judgment in the brief quotations which he makes from the volumes reviewed.

Richard H. Schweitzer, Knightstown, Grand Master.

Calvin W. Prather, Masonic Temple, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

## IOWA.

A rather whimsical Englishman found his way to Canada and settled down in Toronto, where he lived for some years without crossing the lake for a nearer view of Niagara Falls than can be had from the top of the highest building in Toronto. When he returned from a flying visit to the mighty cataract, he was asked what he thought of it. He puffed out his cheeks and answered in one word—"Big". So we may say of Iowa. It is a big State, with a big Grand Lodge of Masons—and it is a big—really a prodigious—volume that is before us. "Condense" must be our watchword.

The most Worshipful Grand Master who presided at the 77th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, held in Fort Dodge, on the 8th, 9th, and 10th June, 1920, was William Augustus Westfall, a lawyer, now of Mason City, Iowa, who was born in Illinois in 1878, upon the proverbial "farm," and is a keen Mason, fond of Masonic study and research.

The address delivered by Brother Westfall at the opening of Grand Lodge was a good business summary, but contained little of special interest to outsiders. He congratulated Grand Lodge on passing the legislation giving to the Charity Fund \$10 from the fee of each initiate and said that it was the greatest legislation ever passed by this Grand Lodge. In a few years, he said, the fund would be large enough to allow the trustees to include in their schemes of benevolence the education of Masonic orphans, which for years has been practically denied because of the lack of money. He recommended the establishment of a "Speakers' Bureau" under the direction of the Research



Committee of Grand Lodge. This recommendation was, we think, approved by Grand Lodge. It was favourably reported upon by two committees—our difficulty is that we have not been able to find out from the big book before us whether the report of the Jurisprudence Committee was adopted. The idea of having speakers on Masonic subjects, so to say, on tap for special occasions, is a good one. In our own Grand Lodge, the Grand Master is usually in demand for such occasions, but he is often requested to send some one else when he cannot go himself.

Newton R. Parvin, Grand Secretary, notwithstanding that his report deals with dry facts and figures, begins it with a practical tribute to the value of labour. It is his 19th annual report, and a perusal of it shows that he knows what labour is. His statistics are for 1919. They show 532 Lodges making returns; 6,277 Master Masons made in 1919; total membership at the end of that year, 67,346; net increase in membership 4,874.

The finances are on a solid basis.

Among the notable deaths of the year was that of Henry W. Rothert, who was Grand Master in 1875 and 1876. He was born in Germany in 1840, came to America in 1850, got his schooling in Cincinnati, became a successful hardware merchant in Keokuk, Iowa, entered public life, and rose to be a State Senator and Lieutenant-Governor. He was the oldest Past Grand Master at the time of his death in January, 1920.

Perhaps a more remarkable Mason was Francis Hammer Loring, of Oskaloosa, Ohio, who died in May, 1920. He was born in Centre Belpre, Ohio, in 1832, and died there, although he considered Oskaloosa his home. He served with distinction in the civil war, was afterwards a successful business man, and was regarded as an ideal citizen. He was Grand Treasurer in 1888 and 1889.

George L. Schoonover, whose fame is great in the land, reported on the Peace Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of England, which he attended in June, 1919, as delegate from Iowa. His idea of the real meaning of the Jubilee is interesting. "It was intended to forge chains of understanding between the Anglo-Saxon Masons of the world. It was realised that Masonry should be one of the strongest



links in Anglo-Saxon civilisation. The Jubilee as it was carried out was an expression of the determination of English Masons that for the future no effort on their part should be spared to make of Freemasonry such a link. It was a pledge of co-operation in behalf of Anglo-Saxon solidarity. It was a realisation that the future peace of the world depended not upon the armaments which English-speaking people would build, but upon the ties of common ancestry, common law, and a mutual will to understand each other.

Naturally, Brother Schoonover, who is the head and front of the Masonic Service Association, had something to say about it at this meeting. It is recorded that he spoke briefly of the plans for the work of the association. Being requested to put his remarks in form for publication in the minutes, he complied, and an orderly statement is the result—not precisely to be called “brief” however. The plans for work are arranged under various heads and sub-heads, such as, Relief, Education, Investigation and Report on subjects of Interest, Dissemination of Masonic Truth.

The Grand Officers for the ensuing year were elected and installed. A portion of the printed proceedings is devoted to portraits of these officers accompanied by biographical sketches. We learn that the new Grand Master, Jesse Alden West, was born on a farm in Iowa in 1872, is now a practising dentist in Des Moines, specialising in X-ray work and consultation, and is a devoted Mason, a member of all the Orders.

We hope that this highly useful feature of the proceedings will be continued and copied by other Grand Lodges. It is wise to have some records of contemporary history, and personal biographies often afford much light in regard to the happenings in a given period.

Another commendable feature of the proceedings is “Incidents of the Week” by Harriett Hughes. Although Grand Lodge was not convened until Tuesday the 8th of June, the proceedings really began on the previous Friday, when the work of the School of Instruction, under charge of the Board of Custodians, was started; it continued until the Monday evening. Thus the “week” was from Friday to Friday. The “incidents” described are largely those

outside of the regular routine, such as the entertainment provided by the good people of Fort Dodge for the visitors. We take "Harriett Hughes" to be a lady—perhaps the wife or daughter of a prominent Mason. The phrase "a lovely luncheon" strikes us as feminine, though the unusual spelling of "Harriett" may be indicative of a member of what used to be called the sterner sex.

Louis Block, P. G. M., of Davenport, Iowa, begins his Report on Fraternal Correspondence with a foreword on "Americanism", and closes it with an afterword on a "Call to Consecration". He takes a considerable interest in the proceedings of our Grand Lodge, describing those of 1919 at considerable length and commenting with vigour. He does not dispute the assertion of Brother Freed that his reasons for favouring the restoration of fraternal relations with French Masonry are sentimental, but counters by pointing out that Brother Ponton is afflicted with the same sentimentality. Of Brother Ponton's report on the Condition of Masonry, Brother Block says: "He delivered himself of one of those wonderful addresses which have made him famous throughout the Masonic world;" and proceeds to quote large portions of the address.

When our Grand Master says that over 160 dispensations for Lodges to attend divine service were granted, he uses an elliptical expression—meaning "to attend divine service in Masonic clothing". For our part we like to see Masons attend divine service in a body—but not in Masonic clothing. By our constitution, a dispensation to wear Masonic clothing outside of a Lodge, except at a Masonic funeral, is necessary, and it appears to us wisely so.

We have enjoyed Brother Block's review—we wish that every Mason could read it.

Jesse Alden West, Des Moines, Grand Master.

Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

## KANSAS.

The 64th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kansas did not take place at the appointed time: the meeting was postponed from the 18th February until the 17th March, 1920, on account of the influenza epidemic. The meeting being a month later than usual is perhaps the reason why we did not receive the printed proceedings in time for review in 1920.

Owen Jason Wood, who presided as Grand Master at this 64th Annual Communication, held in Topeka on the 17th and 18th March, 1920, was born in 1853, in Indiana. It is almost unnecessary to say that his early life was spent upon a farm. That seems to be true of nearly all Grand Masters. He is a graduate of Indiana State University; practised law in Indiana for 4 years, in Minnesota for 6 years; removed to Kansas in 1886, and is now assistant-solicitor in Topeka of a great railway corporation. He has had a long and honourable record as a Mason, and is described by his biographer as one who has been useful to his fellow-man and has met the storms of life with a smile.

This distinguished Craftsman made a very good address, but it contains little of special interest to outsiders. He referred to the death of M. W. Brother George C. Kenyon, who was born in 1837, served the Grand Lodge as Grand Master in 1889, and died in Seattle in April, 1919.

Much was said of the Kansas Masonic Home, which was dedicated in 1919. The Grand Master recommended that a gift of \$10,000 be made to the Home at this Communication—a recommendation that was adopted.

The report of the Grand Secretary, Albert K. Wilson, is full of instructive detail. Evidently the institution is thoroughly organised and its affairs regulated with great care. The only improvement that we can suggest is an index to the annual printed proceedings of its Grand Lodge. The Grand Secretary's statistics show 418 chartered Lodges, with a total membership on the 31st December, 1919, of 55,572, and a large net gain for the year—4,370.

The report of the Committee on Reports of Grand Officers contains a significant clause which we take pleasure in quoting:—

“That our Grand Master is a good man and good Mason we know from the record of his long, arduous, and valuable service, written on many pages in his Lodge, and in the Grand Lodge, and many associate bodies. We also know him to be an eminent jurist, but his report, which your committee is called upon to review, furnishes the final indisputable evidence that he is also a statesman and diplomat, in that, with all the multiplied cares of a year’s administration of the Grand Lodge with its 55,000 Masons, he has presented a final report which does not contain a single mooted point, not a decision, a recommendation, or a suggestion of fact or policy, with possibly one exception, necessary to be referred to any standing committee”.

The annual oration was delivered by Brother Rousseau A. Bench, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of Kansas; the subject was “A Conception of the Deity”—we quote one paragraph:—

“Whatever else the war has done, it has clarified our conception of the Deity. The old local, tribal God, who needed to be flattered with magnification and propitiated with sensuous praise, who could be induced to grant tribal or national favours, and who was continually meddling in people’s affairs, is gone forever from the thought of the rational man. This God abdicated with the Kaiser”

The Grand Secretary, as Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, reported against the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Panama because it has not “sovereign and undisputed jurisdiction over the territory in which its Grand Lodge is located”. The report was adopted by Grand Lodge.

A scheme for a constant and steady increase of the endowment fund of the Kansas Masonic Home was reported and adopted.

The Report on Correspondence—a brief one—was prepared by the indefatigable Grand Secretary, Brother Albert K. Wilson. When he comes to Canada (in the Province of Ontario) it is of course our proceedings of 1919 that he is reviewing. He gives a fair summary of what was done, and is quite appreciative of the remarkable work of our learned predecessor, Brother Freed.

Hugh P. Farrelly, Chanute, Grand Master.

Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

## MAINE.

The 101st Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine, held in the Masonic Temple, Portland, on the 4th, 5th, and 6th days of May, 1920, was presided over by the Grand Master Silas Bradley Adams, of Portland, who is said to be a business man in the strictest sense, and a former president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. He was born in Portland in 1863 and has always lived there. A devoted student of Masonry, he has put into his work for the Craft the same systematic and energetic push that he has into business affairs. He has been twice elected Grand Master, and in his second year of office he added to the usual duties the arrangements for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the organisation of the Grand Lodge. There is a portrait of Brother Adams, as well as a biographical sketch, in the volume before us.

The address delivered by the Grand Master at this 101st Annual Communication was an interesting one. Speaking of the Condition of the Craft, he said:—

“The addition of new members has been unprecedented, both as regards quantity and quality. The Grand Secretary’s report will show 2,927 raised, with a net gain of 2,285, equivalent to .06 per cent. plus. The rejections were 20 per cent. of the petitions, which indicates that full scrutiny was exercised by the investigating committees and that conscientious discrimination was manifest in the ballot. While it is extremely gratifying to feel that from out an atmosphere surcharged with bitterness, vicious force, and selfishness, the human heart should be impelled towards institutions standing for harmony, unanimity,



and concord, this may not wholly explain the tremendously increased interest in our Fraternity.

“Among other influences may properly be classed the the conviction that membership in our Order constitutes a perpetual protest against the pernicious activities of other institutions in relation to our political, civic, and educational affairs.”

The report of the Committee on Returns showed that all the 206 Chartered Lodges in the State had made returns, and that the total number of members in 1920 was 35,670.

Past Grand Master Frank E. Sleeper, the Grand Lecturer, in his report made a “unique and suggestive statement. In no previous year have there been received in this Grand Jurisdiction more than 8 applications from Lodges for schools of Instruction, but this year I received 20, which proves conclusively to me that the desire of a fuller knowledge of our mysteries and a more exact practice of our rites is increasing among the officers and Brethren of our Lodges”.

In the afternoon of the second day of the session, the special centennial celebration took place. The brief record is as follows:—

“The spacious main hall of the Temple was filled to capacity with Brethren from all over the State and distinguished guests from other Grand Jurisdictions, among whom were Most Worshipful Arthur D. Prince, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; Most Worshipful Charles C. Perkins, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut; Most Worshipful Daniel C. Clarke, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick; Most Worshipful Orren P. Sperra, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge and personal proxy for the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ohio; and Right Worshipful Frederick W. Hamilton, Grand Secretary of Massachusetts; who were introduced to the Grand Lodge of Maine by Most Worshipful Frank E. Sleeper, Senior Past Grand Master, and were given the Grand Honours of Masonry.

“The programme of the afternoon consisted of selections by the orchestra and the Portland Masonic Quartette; invocation by the Rev. Ashley A. Smith, Past Grand

Master; an historical address by Albro E. Chase, Past Grand Master; and an oration by Charles F. Johnston, Past Grand Master.

"At 6 o'clock dinner was served in the banquet-hall of the Temple, covers being laid for 628, and nearly every place taken.

"The post-prandial was presided over by Grand Master Adams as toast-master, and the speakers were the distinguished guests above named. (Grand Secretary's note—A stenographic report of the entire exercises of the afternoon and evening was taken and will be published as soon as possible, and a copy forwarded to each Lodge)".

Past Grand Master Albro E. Chase presents the Report on Correspondence. With practised hand, he extracts the marrow from the bones of many Grand Jurisdictions. "Canada, 1919," is the heading of a fair account of the proceedings of our Grand Lodge, meeting in that year in Toronto. Brother Chase has the good taste to quote the most interesting parts of the Report on the Condition of Masonry by Brother Ponton and of the Report on Fraternal Correspondence by Brother Freed.

Edward W. Wheeler, Brunswick, Grand Master.

Charles B. Davis, Portland, Grand Secretary.

## MANITOBA.

The volume containing the proceedings of 1920 is not a large one, but is closely packed with Masonry—and it is Masonry in its most serious form.

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba was organised in 1875, and the assembling of the Brethren in 1920 was for the 45th Annual Communication, which was opened in the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, on the 9th June, and was continued and closed on the following day.

Two of the Brethren who assisted in organising the Grand Lodge died during the year 1919. George Black was born at Lachine, Lower Canada, in 1847. He was District Deputy Grand Master of the District of Rupertsland, under the Grand Lodge of Canada, in 1875, and was chairman of the convention that organised the Grand Lodge of Manitoba on the 12th May in that year. He

received the honorary rank of Past Grand Master. At the time of his death he was living in Vancouver. James Henderson who died in Pasadena, California, in October, 1919, hailed from the same Lodge as George Black—Zetland Lodge, No. 12 on the register of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. Henderson was Master of that Lodge in 1871, and migrated to Winnipeg in the same year. He was present at the convention aforesaid, and was the first Grand Senior Warden of the new Grand Lodge of Manitoba—afterwards Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary. The memory of these departed pioneers was duly honoured.

The address of M. W. Bro. Alexander McIntyre, of Winnipeg, who presided as Grand Master at the 45th Annual Communication, was weighty, thoughtful, and well-considered. Among other things he said, in his exordium:—

“As Freemasons we must make ourselves more efficient servants of mankind. It is not enough to say that Freemasonry is a system of moral teaching. Our business is to teach..... We profess much. Be assured that much will be required of us..... Freemasonry would have long since died and been forgotten had it not been able to meet the everyday human need; to reach out and touch the yearnings of the human heart, and to smoothe the rough pathways of life along which men and women walk and toil and rejoice and suffer..... I see evidence in abundance through the length and the breadth of this splendid Jurisdiction of an enthusiasm for Freemasonry and for a wider community life, a newer and richer outlook; and a desire to express this not only in words but in deeds.”

After alluding briefly to the place of education in the great work of national reconstruction, the Grand Master referred to his experience of 40 years as a school-master; and, as his own day of service was nearing an end, he made a plea for better pay for the teachers in the public schools—to prevent their being diverted to other callings. A fine passage in this part of the address may be transcribed:—

“It is the Canadian teacher who makes the public school. I am not so sure about our system; it certainly has its defects; but I have no doubt at all about the devot-

ed army of men and women who administer the system. These teachers, second mothers to your children, are before the country at the present moment asking for a recognition, a recognition, I may say, not commensurate with their value—Canada is not rich enough to pay them that—but a wage large enough on which to live, not penuriously and not luxuriously but in accordance with the dignity of their high calling.”

The Grand Master spoke most favourably of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. In September, 1919, he had attended the biennial meeting of the association at Minneapolis, where he was the only representative from Canada.

“Related to the work of relief”, said the Most Worshipful “is the question of the continuation of the International Bureau for Masonic Affairs of Neuchatel, Switzerland. Founded by the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina in 1903, but now left alone to shift for herself, this institution has rendered great and invaluable services to the Craft, and has deserved a far more kindly consideration than has been meted out to it. As Grand Master I am proud of the part our Grand Lodge has played and I welcome the continuation of the grant that has regularly been made for the past several years. I trust that the history of this very commendable organisation may not be allowed to cease because of the indifference of the Craft. Such a whole-hearted devotion towards human good can never be considered a waste”.

Another theme was the splendid work of the Past Masters' Association of the First Masonic District, where a real Masonic renaissance seems to have taken place. This association secured the best speakers on educational and social subjects, and studied what may be called “Applied Masonry”.

The increase in membership in this Jurisdiction during 1919 was appreciable but not phenomenal. There appear to be 79 active Lodges, which at the end of 1919 had a total membership of 8,369, showing a net gain of 488 for the year.

As a result of investigation by a special committee on Foreign Grand Lodges, the Grand Lodges of Norway

and the Netherlands were recognised by this Grand Lodge and an exchange of representatives was authorised.

The Grand Lodge went much farther than this, however; for it authorised "the Grand Master, acting with and on the advice of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence as to the manner of carrying out the authorisation, to take steps forthwith towards and to consummate the establishment of fraternal relations with each of the three Grand Masonic Bodies of France."

There was an open discussion in Grand Lodge in "Problems of a Country Lodge," which is said to have been interesting.

There are many things in the various reports and resolutions before Grand Lodge which we should like to refer to, were we not limited as to space. One or two may be mentioned.

The Board of General Purpose drew attention to the very common usage of the term "4th degree" throughout the Jurisdiction. We regret to say that it is common in this Jurisdiction too. It appears to be but a step from using it jocosely to using it seriously, and then only another step to using it formally. Our own Grand Master in Ontario has spoken reprovingly of this. The Grand Lodge of Manitoba very sensibly approved the recommendation of the Board "that in future no reference shall be made on Lodge notices or in open Lodge to a '4th degree.'"

The Committee on the Condition of Masonry was of opinion—and its report was adopted—that the value of the services rendered by District Deputy Grand Masters might be greatly increased if provision were made for an annual conference. So mote it be!

The report of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence, instead of being relegated to an appendix, is printed as a part of the proceedings of Grand Lodge, and is signed by R. W. Bro. Albert L. Crossin as Chairman. It is by no means the orthodox review; it is arranged, not even alphabetically, under heads which indicate subjects discussed—"Public Questions in Lodges"—"Recognition of French Masonry"—"Co-operation



amongst Grand Lodges"—"Physical Qualifications"—and so forth—with abundant quotations from the printed proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions. We find it excellent.

Albert J. Hatcher, Brandon, Grand Master.

James A. Ovas, P. G. M., Winnipeg, Grand Secretary.

### **MASSACHUSETTS.**

Last year, by misfortune, we had nothing from Massachusetts to read, learn, and inwardly digest; we note that in 1919 our predecessor had two years of Massachusetts Masonry—1917 and 1918—spread out before him; while now, that is, April, 1921, we find a bulky volume of proceedings—nay "Abstract of Proceedings"—of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for 1919.

The compiler of this abstract has had a watchful eye on the future—there is much material for the historian, and the biographer will find no lack of material—but there is a notable omission. Not a word is told us of the personality or antecedents of a Craftsmen many of whose eloquent addresses given in 1919 are printed in full, and indeed are partly responsible for the great bulk of the abstract-book. The addresses themselves and a portrait to some extent reveal the man, but that is perhaps rather tantalising than satisfying. A few words of intimate biography such as are vouchsafed in the case of a departed Masonic dignitary would be illuminating.

The man is Leon M. Abbott, of Brookline, Grand Master in 1918 and 1919 of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; and he it was who presided at nearly all the 14 Communications described in the abstract for 1919.

The Grand Lodge is the oldest in America. The Stated Communication held on the 29th December, 1919, the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, marked the 186th anniversary of the institution of the Grand Lodge.

The First Communication of the year, held in the building of the Phillips Congregational Church in South Boston, on the 16th February, was for the observance of Washington's Birthday. On this occasion the Grand Master, in his address, said that it afforded him supreme delight to be able to claim George Washington as really a Mass-

achusetts Mason because of the fact that the Lodge in Fredericksburg, Virginia, in which he received his degrees, was then acting and existing under a dispensation granted by Thomas Oxnard, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts—a fact not generally known. “One of the most precious possessions of our Grand Lodge”, continued the Grand Master, “so precious that each Grand Master is held responsible for its safekeeping, is a lock of Washington’s hair sent to our Grand Lodge by his widow soon after his death. This memento is preserved in a little urn, made for the purpose by Paul Revere, with his own hands—himself a Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.”

A special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in a part of Boston called Brighton, on Sunday the 9th March, to assist in observing the Centenary of Bethesda Lodge. The commemorative exercises were held in the Brighton Congregational Church, and a sermon was preached by a Worshipful and Reverend Brother, Edward A. Horton, Senior Grand Chaplain, followed by the Grand Master’s address.

The first regular Quarterly Communication of the year was held in the Masonic Temple, Boston, on the 12th March. On this occasion the Grand Master in his address referred to Brother Théodore Roosevelt, whose death occurred on the 6th January, 1919, and recited Brother Rudyard Kipling’s poem “Greatheart.”

There is to us something novel in this paragraph from the Grand Master’s address:—

“Through the change in our Grand Constitutions adopted last December a Master Mason who has voluntarily remained for more than one year without being affiliated with some regular Lodge has no right to visit any Lodge within this Jurisdiction. Formerly such an unaffiliated Mason could visit any Lodge upon the invitation of its Worshipful Master. As the law now stands, a voluntarily unaffiliated Mason is not of right entitled to any of the benefits or privileges of Masonry or to visit a Lodge if he has been unaffiliated for more than a year.”

We have grave doubt as to the expediency of such legislation, and are surprised to find it in so conservative a Grand Lodge as that of Massachusetts.

On the 12th May a special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in Cambridge for the purpose of observing the 50th anniversary of Mizpah Lodge. The Grand Master, it is said, made an eloquent and inspiring address, but it is not printed in the abstract. A History of Mizpah Lodge, read by W. Bro. James A. Stinson, is printed in full. Compared with the Grand Lodge, Mizpah is but a thing of yesterday, but in other States 50 years of life is a respectable attainment.

The same may be said of Delta Lodge, Braintree, which celebrated its 50th anniversary on the 2nd June, 1919. The Grand Lodge was there in force, and again the Grand Master made an "eloquent and inspiring address," not "took down" however. The Grand Lodge proceedings were formal. After the close, all present adjourned to the town-hall, "where a bountiful banquet was served," and an historical address delivered by W. Bro. Walter James Harrison. The Grand Master's address was given at the banquet. Though the historical address was rather long, containing as it did biographies of all the charter members, it is printed in full.

Another anniversary celebration in which Grand Lodge participated was that of Norfolk Union Lodge, in the town of Randolph. The day was the 3rd June, 1919, and the anniversary was the 100th. The Grand Lodge was opened in the Masonic Temple building in Randolph with R. W. Bro. Arthur D. Price, Deputy Grand Master, presiding. The anniversary exercises were held in the First Congregational Church of Randolph. The procedure was much the same as on the other occasions. The Deputy Grand Master made "a thoughtful and inspiring address," and a history of Norfolk Union Lodge by W. Bro. Frank C. Granger was read. The history is given in full. After the exercises, there was a banquet, attended by the Grand Master, who had been prevented by imperative business demands from being present in the afternoon. He "favoured the company with an address full of flashes of wit and humour and replete with instruction and inspiration."

The Quarterly Communication of the 11th June, 1919, was held as usual in the Masonic Temple, Boston. Deputy Grand Master Arthur D. Prince presided and

read the Grand Master's address, which began with an apology for his absence, occasioned by an engagement as counsel in the trial of an action. From this we learn the profession of Grand Master Leon M. Abbott, and we doubt not that he is an ornament of it. In the course of the address he expressed the opinion that this Grand Lodge should assume membership in the Masonic Service Association of the United States. By resolution of Grand Lodge at this Communication, the matter was left to the discretion of the Grand Master.

At the Quarterly Communication held on the 10th September, 1919, the Grand Master was present and delivered an address, in which he referred to the passing of a notable figure in the Masonic world—R. W. Brother David Urquhart, of Valparaiso, Chile, District Grand Master for the Masonic District of Chile, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, who died in Valparaiso on the 25th August, 1919, and "was not only a giant in physical stature, but no less great in the stature of his life, which was one constant expression of Masonic principles."

So heavy had been the demands upon the Grand Lodge for aid for worthy and indigent Brethren and their dependants during the year, and so great had been the increase in the cost of living, that the Lodges had been asked to make contributions to the Rainy Day Fund. They had made a ready response, proving "the splendid loyalty of our Brethren to the fundamental teachings of our institution." The Grand Master found "good reason to hope that before many years have gone by our permanent charity funds will be sufficient to meet all ordinary needs." A constantly increasing number of Craftsmen were making provisions in their wills for the Masonic Home or the general charities of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master returned to the subject of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, asking a direct vote on the proposal that this Grand Lodge should become a member. The matter was placed before Grand Lodge by an affirmative resolution which was unanimously carried.

On the night preceding this meeting, Boston had been "given over to hoodlums and criminals, to law-



lessness and crime, to an extent almost unbelievable in a civilised community. Stores were broken into, goods stolen, peaceful citizens assaulted, women raped, and every form of bestiality given free and open vent." Resolutions submitted at this meeting pledging to the Commonwealth the aid of 80,000 Masons to maintain the supremacy of the law and to protect the peace of the community, were received with great enthusiasm and adopted unanimously. The resolutions recited that the "occurrence was made possible because the sworn defenders of the peace of the community, refusing to submit their cause to the decision of the Courts, deserted their posts of duty in the effort to settle by coercion the question at issue between themselves and their lawful commanding officers."

Brother Samuel Cox, of Lynn, Massachusetts, who was born in Marblehead in 1819, and is a member and a regular attendant of the meetings of his mother Lodge, Philanthropic, Marblehead, was at this Communication given the rank of a Past Grand Senior Deacon. This incident is probably without a parallel.

An interesting feature of this Communication was the presentation by Grand Secretary Frederick W. Hamilton of a full and delightful report of his visit to England in June, 1919, where he represented the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts at the Masonic Peace Jubilee Celebration. We quote one passage, describing the Special Communication of the United Grand Lodge of England which was the central act of the celebration:—

"The introduction of the visitors was most impressive. We were formed in column in the order of seniority, the Grand Lodge of Ireland going first, the Grand Lodge of Scotland second, the representative of Massachusetts third, and others in order."

There was a Special Communication at Northfield on the 10th October, 1919, for the purpose of dedicating a Masonic Temple. The Grand Master presided and made an eloquent and inspiring address, but it is not printed in the abstract.



On the 14th of the same month a Special Communication was held at Melrose for the purpose of constituting Fidelity Lodge. On this occasion the ceremony was preceded by a banquet, at which there were no speeches, but the eloquent Grand Master and the no less eloquent Grand Chaplain Horton spoke in the Lodge-room after the constitution, and the latter read a "graceful tribute" (in verse) to the former. We quote one stanza;—

"He has proven by example  
Where the treasures, rich and bright,  
Of Freemasonry are hidden,  
And revealed them to our sight."

The lack of a sense of humour is apparent here and in other places throughout the "abstract". It is said that all the English-speaking peoples are sentimental, but the British know they are, are ashamed of it, and usually succeed in concealing it. Not so the less subtle Americans. An American who takes himself seriously is usually taken seriously by his fellows.

The Special Communication at Haverhill on the 15th November, 1919, was for the purpose of dedicating a monument erected in a cemetery there and given to the Masonic Fraternity of Haverhill by the widow of Brother William Orin Tasker in memory of her husband. The Grand Master on this occasion spoke briefly, and his words are recorded. The deceased was a plain man, of rugged honesty and sweet, simple nature. He did not become a member of the Masonic Fraternity until he was 69 years of age, and died at the age of 76.

The Masonic Temple at Revere was dedicated by a Grand Lodge held there on the 24th November, 1919. The Grand Master made an address (not printed), and an historical paper was read by Brother Arthur B. Curtis—"a brief history of the old church, our present Masonic Temple." It is described as the meeting-house at Rumney Marsh, which was "raised" in 1710. This old church was bought by the Masons of Revere in July 1919, and was now dedicated to Masonic uses.

The Quarterly Communication of the 10th December 1919, was the Annual as well as the Quarterly meeting, and the Grand Master made his annual address.

He referred first to the death, on the 28th September, at his home in Roxbury, of M. W. Bro. Charles Theodore Gallagher, who was Grand Master in 1900, 1901, and 1902. He was a brilliant lawyer and man of affairs; he had a busy, useful, and many-sided life, and was a remarkable embodiment of genius and ability.

A novel feature of the address was an unsparing condemnation of the practice said to have grown up in certain localities of making a substantial gift to the District Deputy Grand Master upon the occasion of his annual visit to a Lodge. The District Deputy Grand Master is an inspecting officer whose duty it is to commend or criticise as the circumstance may require, and such a gift is wholly improper and inconsistent with the due and proper performance of his duties. In some districts there is a spirit of rivalry, each Lodge striving to present something more valuable and costly than that given by any other Lodge. This misuse of Lodge funds is without warrant and should not be tolerated. To all of which we say "Amen."

There are (or were in December, 1919) 258 Lodges in Massachusetts, 4 in China, 3 in Chile, and 6 in the Canal Zone, making a total of 271 in the Jurisdiction—an increase of 2 in the year. The total membership at that date was 82,410, and the net gain for the year was 4,128.

The Grand Master gave thanks for the great honour conferred upon him in being three times unanimously chosen as the chief executive of this large and venerable Jurisdiction.

In this address he reviewed the work done in 1919 and clearly stated the financial position of Grand Lodge.

He concluded with some earnest words on the duty of Masons to defend the precious heritage of free institutions, and so stirred the hearts of the Brethren that they spontaneously rose and greeted the address with koud and prolonged applause.

The annual election of Grand Officers followed.

At the Stated Communication on the 29th December, 1919, some business was transacted, and the recently elected Grand Officers were installed; there were some brief addresses; and at 12 minutes after 6 o'clock the Craft were called from labour to refreshment and proceeded to the banquet-hall for the celebration of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist in accordance with ancient custom. The retiring Grand Master was presented with a hall clock and a gold watch and chain.

At the banquet the four regular toasts were honoured:—

To the memory of the Holy Saints John.

To the memory of our Illustrious Brother George Washington.

To the memory of our departed Brethren.

To all the Fraternity wheresoever dispersed upon the face of the earth.

The new Grand Master, duly elected, installed, and proclaimed, Arthur D. Prince, of Lowell, presided at the banquet and made a good after-dinner speech, enlivened by some choice anecdotes. The Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Calvin Coolidge, was present and spoke encouragingly of the prospects of industrial and social peace.

These exercises marked the end of the Masonic (and calendar) year; but the abstract contains more matter than has been yet told—historical sketches of "Masonry in Northern Berkshire," "Charity Lodge, North Cambridge," and "Lafayette Lodge, Roxbury."

There is no Report on Fraternal Correspondence.

We have found Massachusetts so very different from other Grand Lodges that we have not hesitated to describe the proceedings at rather unusual length, trusting that our readers may enjoy something of what we have enjoyed.

Arthur D. Prince, Lowell, Grand Master.

Frederick W. Hamilton, Cambridge, Grand Secretary.

**MEXICO.**

The York Grand Lodge of Mexico, F. & A. M., was one of those noticed in our annual review of 1920. We had then before us a pocket volume containing the proceedings of this Grand Body at its 59th Annual Communication. We have not now the proceedings at the 60th Annual Communication, but a pamphlet containing a letter addressed by Past Grand Master Cecil C. Freston, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, to a brother Correspondent, the well-known Oliver Day Street of Alabama. This is accompanied by a polite letter to our Grand Secretary. The pamphlet "sets forth our history, and.....will go far to show the vicissitudes of symbolic Masonry in this troubled Republic, as also the almost continual struggle which American Masons, resident and affiliated in Mexico, have to maintain in order to preserve a close adherence to the ancient landmarks and customs of the Masonic Fraternity."

We have also before us another pamphlet with the name "York Grand Lodge of Mexico" upon its back and the names of the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary. This book has no title, and is signed at the end "Committee on Publicity," without any names. The object appears to be similar to that of Brother Freston's letter—to justify to the Masonic world the position of this Grand Body. Curiously enough, the little book does not show the year of its publication. We take it to be 1920, and we find the statement that the future for York Rite Masonry is brighter and brighter every day.

Some of our readers may be curious about these things. We have not been asked to form and have not ourselves endeavoured to form any opinion as to the matters which are debated in these brochures.

Sidney Ulfelder, Grand Master.

C. C. Shanks, P. O. Box 1986, City of Mexico,  
Grand Secretary.

Cecil C. Freston, P. O. Box 168, Tampico, Chairman  
of the Committee on Foreign Relations.

**MICHIGAN.**

We failed to connect with Michigan in 1920. The Grand Lodge of Michigan holds its annual meeting in May, and therefore it was not to be expected that the proceedings for 1920 should be in our hands for review until after our annual meeting in July. It was, however, the Michigan volume for 1919 which miscarried. We had no report of Michigan last year, and, by a coincidence, in the Michigan proceedings for 1920, now before us, it is mentioned by the reviewer that "Canada's" proceedings for 1919 were not received. We regret that the continuity of reviews has been broken, and we regret it the more because we have missed the biography of the evidently interesting and remarkable man who presided at the 76th Annual Communication, held in the City of Saginaw on the 25th and 26th May, 1920—Charles B. Eddy, Grand Master for 1919-20. We do learn something of him from his address, in which he said that he devoted all his time during his year of office to the duties of Grand Master; from his portrait, which depicts him as a rather youthful gentleman in kahki; and from a passage in the report of a special committee on "Good of the Order", where it is said:—

"Your committee wonders if the constituent Lodges realise what the past three years have meant in the life of our Grand Master; three years of service to humanity in the highest and best sense. Part of this time he has been in France as a Y. M. C. A. secretary, not in a safe, comfortable berth away from the noise and discomforts, but in the very thick of the battle, at Chateau Thierry, in the Argonne, along the Meuse, and elsewhere in that torn and bleeding country, doing man's work in a man's way; truly a soldier of Christ in the battle for righteousness. Shall we not say that in that experience there was impressed upon his mind and conscience more than ever before those truly Masonic virtues, morality, equality, and rectitude of life? And so it seems to your committee that it was but natural, as a continuance of his unselfish devotion to duty as he saw it, that upon receiving the mantle of the Grand Mastership of the State of Michigan he should perceive the great responsibility resting upon himself and decide to bestow his entire time and devotion for the advancement of the Craft on the battle-front at



home, to the exclusion of personal comfort and any pecuniary reward. His remarkable report of his stewardship in the past year reflects the grasp he has upon the affairs of this Grand Lodge. His service has been like that of the Man of Galilee, going about doing good, preaching conciliation and goodwill to all, and his nearness to the hearts of those with whom he has come in contact in his many visitations has been apparent to all throughout this session."

The Grand Master himself said that he had devoted his entire time to the duties of the office, and had considered himself very fortunate in being so situated that he had no business cares.

"Masonry in Michigan," he said, "has prospered the last year in many ways: Lodges are receiving more applications than ever before; a total of 11,410 Master Masons were raised. On December 31st, 1919, Michigan had a membership of 106,186. Thirteen dispensations for new Lodges were granted, and many more are now forming, which is a splendid thing: greater interest than ever before is being taken in Masonry, not only by those men who wish to become members, but by the rank and file of Masons generally; many new and magnificent temples are being erected; and the spirit of the Fraternity is leavening for good in every community."

The number of active Lodges at the end of 1919 was 439, and the net gain in that year 9,783.

The Grand Master's conception of the best way to serve his Brethren is not perhaps novel or unusual, but we can see that he had a magnificent opportunity for proving its correctness, and that he is a man well-fitted for the task. This is what he says:—

"Having spent my whole time in performing the duties of the office, it may appear to some that I should have much matter to report; but I elected to carry on matters in a somewhat different way. Aside from a four weeks' trip with the Grand Lecturer in the Upper Peninsula, I have only visited Lodges when I have received a very urgent invitation; a large portion of my time has been spent in smoothing out trouble over the State. It seems that among the 106,000 Masons it is no surprise

that there very often arises some disagreement; and, while a small matter to start with, if not attended to at once it might grow to great proportions, and I have felt justified in personally taking the matter up and correcting it in as nearly a Masonic and Brotherly way as possible. We are sometimes wrong, and yet when appealed to on the basis of a square deal as between man and man, or brother and brother, we see things in a different light and forget and forgive our differences."

The investigation of candidates was considered by the Grand Master a very important matter—vital to every Lodge and to the whole fabric of Masonry. He recommended the adoption by Grand Lodge of a questionnaire to be used by the investigating committee in every Lodge in the State. This recommendation was approved.

The Most Worshipful made another recommendation—the return by Grand Lodge to the District Deputy system. This was considered by a special committee, which reported requesting further time for consideration, and the matter was left over till the next Communication.

During the war the Grand Lodge created a war council and established a war fund. The reason for the fund ceasing to exist, and there being a surplus of nearly \$60,000, the question what to do with it arose. It was decided at this Communication to give \$5,000 of it to the Armenian Relief Fund, and to hand over what remained to the Masonic Home Board.

Michigan is apparently in whole-hearted accord with the two nation-wide Craft bodies which figure so largely in the proceedings of the State Grand Lodges—the Masonic Service Association, of the United States and the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association.

The Grand Master's address is a remarkable human document—the production of a genuine worker. It is not cast in good literary form, and is on that account the more impressive. Genuineness is stamped on every page. We take leave to quote a paragraph from the general remarks under the heading "Final Word:"—

"There are many, many good men who do not belong to this great Fraternity of ours; and likewise, and alas, it is true, there are some men who call themselves Masons who are not worthy the confidence or esteem of any man—they live for self alone—some there are who show an occasional burst of good fellowship when they can see a direct dividend returned to themselves, but the true Mason is a real man in every sense of the word—a man who may fall short of perfection in many worldly respects, but whose hand, heart, and soul are dedicated to real Friendship, Morality, and Brotherly Love—a true Mason is of pure mind and with ideals that are lofty and unselfish and with a full and just regard for his fellow-man—the true Mason can look underneath a ragged coat, overlook human faults that are there, yet find a pure and unsullied heart and character: the true Mason can make friends easily and keep them, while some men are prone to turn them away as they acquire a little more money or prominence in the community—the true Mason is a believer in the Golden Rule, to do unto others as we would wish that they should do unto us."

There is a pleasant personal touch in the beginning of the report of the Grand Secretary, Past Grand Master Lou B. Winsor:—

"I herewith submit my 17th annual report as Grand Secretary.

"This is my 38th consecutive attendance at Annual Communications of Grand Lodge. This record has only been equalled once before in the history of this Grand Lodge, and that was by Past Grand Master James H. Farnum, who died the year following his 38th consecutive attendance. I hope by the mercy of our Supreme Grand Master to report at Grange Lodge again next year and so break the record."

The Michigan Masonic Home, situated at Alma, is exhaustively described and reported upon by the Board of Control, and is in a flourishing condition, although the expense of maintenance is continually increasing, and there are always demands for extension.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is by Grand Secretary Winsor—his 17th annual epistle to the elect.

Among the Grand Lodges whose proceedings did not reach him he notes "Canada:" as to this we have already expressed regret. He has diligently given excellent accounts of many other Grand Lodges of British and American allegiance, and has singled out the United Grand Lodge of England for very special attention, on account, no doubt, of the Peace Celebration, at which he was himself present as a delegate from Michigan. It is recorded by his colleague in that delegation, Past Grand Master Hugh A. McPherson, that at one of the evening's entertainments in London when speeches were in order, Brother Winsor was spokesman for Michigan and delivered a "splendid address" before a "magnificent audience."

If we may judge from a brief biography of Ira A. Beck, the new Grand Master elected and installed at this Communication, Michigan has had in 1920-21 another remarkable man at the helm. "Michigan born, Michigan bred, and one of Michigan's best products," writes the anonymous biographer. Brother Beck is a lawyer practising in Battle Creek, and general counsel for the Sanitarium and its allied interests. He is still in the early forties, and an active and devoted Mason.

Ira. A. Beck, Battle Creek, Grand Master.

Lou B. Winsor, Grand Rapids, Grand Secretary.

### MINNESOTA.

The present scribe's introduction to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota takes place in the month of April, 1921. His predecessor reviewed in 1919 the Minnesota proceedings of that year; and those of 1920 did not arrive in time for review by us in 1920—the delay is explained as "due to the inability of the printer to get help," a not uncommon complaint.

The Grand Communication of 1920 was held in St. Paul on the 21st and 22nd January, and was the 67th Annual. M. W. Bro. George M. Stone, of Wadena, Grand Master, presided, and had the honour of welcoming Past Grand Master Ralph H. Wheeler of Illinois and Past Grand Master George L. Schoonover of Iowa, each of whom made a short speech. On the second day Brother Schoonover spoke eloquently on the subject of Masonic Research.



The address of the Grand Master was excellent in form and substance. He said that his experience as Grand Master had made him humble in his estimate of the worth of Masonry to mankind, comparing its actual accomplishment with the great opportunity offered. He considered the Masonic Service Association a step in the right direction and recommended approval by this Grand Lodge of its constitution and the assumption of the privileges and burdens of membership. This was adopted by Grand Lodge.

Another recommendation was that the District Deputy Grand Master system as it exists in Massachusetts and has existed for more than 100 years should be introduced in Minnesota. This recommendation was adopted and a special committee was appointed to report a scheme for carrying it into effect.

M. W. Brother Alonzo Brandenburg, Past Grand Master, was one of the victims of the cyclone which ravaged Fergus Falls, where he had his home, on the 22nd June, 1919. He was Grand Master in 1900, had passed the Psalmist's allotment of life, and was both esteemed and beloved by his Brethren.

At the end of 1919 there were 271 chartered Lodges on the register, all but one of which had made returns, and one Lodge under dispensation, with a total membership of 39,995, showing a net gain of 3,002 for the year.

It was reported by the Minnesota Home Masonic Association that a site had been purchased for the Home in a country place not far from the twin cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

The subject of the oration by Brother George W. Empey, Grand Orator, was "The Mission of Masonry."

The appendix to the volume of proceedings contains not only the rather brief Foreign Correspondence report of Brother Irving Todd, in which our Grand Lodge proceedings of 1919 are appreciatively noticed, but also a very full and interesting account of the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association at its 28th annual reunion.

Edmund A. Montgomery, Minneapolis, Grand Master  
John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.



## MISSISSIPPI.

So far at least as the Grand Lodge is concerned, Mississippi is terra incognita to us. We had no proceedings to review in 1920, nor had our predecessor in 1919.

The goodly volume before us contains the proceedings of Grand Lodge in 1920.

The 102nd Annual Grand Communication was held in Vicksburg on the 24th and 25th February, 1920.

On the previous evening there was a meeting in the Opera House of Vicksburg, at which apparently the Grand Master presided. There was music, there was an address of welcome by the Mayor of Vicksburg, another by the Masons of Vicksburg, responses on behalf of Grand Lodge, and, most important of all, it may seem—for they are printed in full—an address by the Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star and a response thereto by a Past Grand Master.

At last we have the opportunity of learning something of the relationship of the Eastern Star organisation to Masonry in a State where there is obviously at least a rapprochement. The following paragraphs from the Grand Matron's address are enlightening, though rather vague except on the practical side:—

“I esteem it an especial privilege, and it is a great honour, to bring to this Grand Body fraternal greetings from an organisation that is so closely related to Masonry and yet is no part of this great institution.”

“I assure you that we are in close sympathy with your ideals, and that we stand ever ready and willing to assume any share of the work so necessary to perpetuate the high ideals of both organisations.

“As our Order stands for the upbuilding of character, for better living, for striving towards the ideal of Him whose star shines in the East, we feel charged with the duty and responsibility of moving forward along all lines for which we stand, to make ourselves entitled to the protection and support of Masonry.”

"While our Order is popularly known as a woman's organisation, yet, strictly speaking, our success is largely due to the fact that our brother Masons have laboured with us faithfully and loyally to promote the beneficent aims which we have in view. And it is therefore fitting on this happy occasion that we express our appreciation and sincere thanks for your splendid support."

"Masonry finds its expression in Homes for the widow and orphan; and in the fair State of Mississippi there stands an institution which is a splendid monument to your unselfish thought for the welfare of others. It is only necessary to visit our Home in Meridian and to look into the faces of our young people there to realise that Masonry in our State is truly making a record that will stand the test of time."

"I trust that the beautiful spirit of Fraternalism that now exists between the Masonic Fraternity and the Eastern Star will be more closely cemented year by year."

In response, a very courteous gentleman, Past Grand Master Emmet N. Thomas, said: "I greet you with fraternal appreciation." "Freemasonry is woman's best friend." "We thank you for this opportunity to welcome you to this Grand Communication, and we trust the fraternal ties which bind this Grand Body and the beautiful, cultured, and useful Order of the Eastern Star shall grow stronger and more indissoluble as the years go by."

This is all very pleasant, but what would the Mother Grand Lodge of England think of it?

The main feature of the Communication held on the following day was the address of the Grand Master, M. W. Brother Louis A. Benoist.

He had first to chronicle the deaths of three Mississippi Craftsmen of extraordinary eminence.

James F. McCool, who was born in Alabama in 1853, was a practising lawyer in Kosciusko, Mississippi, at the time of his death, March, 1919. He was a Judge for several terms and a member and Speaker of the State House of Representatives. In 1896, he was elected Grand Master of Masons, but was seriously ill for the greater part of the year. He presided, however, at the

Grand Communication of 1897, and in his address recommended that the Grand Lodge be permanently located and ways and means provided for the erection of a suitable Masonic Temple. He said "that the Grand Lodge had been jumping around like a Jack Rabbit long enough, and the time had come when it should be not yet been located." The aspiration has <sup>not</sup> yet been realised, though the Grand Lodge of 1920, we gather, still favours a "permanent location." "Jack Rabbitting" has some advantages, however, as no one will deny.

Another Past Grand Master died in November, 1919—one who had done much for Mississippi Masonry—Edwin J. Martin. We are not told the date of his birth, but it cannot have been much later than 1850. The place was Increase, Mississippi. He lived in Meridian, and had been Postmaster there and a member of the city council. He was Grand Master in 1908, and had occupied the chief office in all the other Masonic bodies of the State. He was elected superintendent of the Masonic Home, which is in Meridian, in 1910, and died there.

Grand Secretary Frederic Gordon Speed died in harness in October, 1919, in Vicksburg, where he had lived and laboured. He was born in 1879, and had been Grand Secretary since 1912.

Past Grand Master Oliver Lee McKay, a very well known Mason, was appointed Grand Secretary by the Grand Master and continued in office by the unanimous vote of Grand Lodge at this Communication.

The Grand Master recommended the resumption of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of New Jersey. We were not aware that there had been a severance, and are not told the cause. The recommendation was referred to a committee, who expressed the opinion that it should not be adopted "at this time," also without giving reasons. Grand Lodge took the same view as the committee, and so that matter stands—a mystery to outsiders.

The Grand Master quoted a special telegram sent from a point in Mississippi and published in a Memphis newspaper, as an instance of "the frivolous manner in which the Degrees of Masonry are sometimes treated by

some of our Brethren." He thought that a warning should be issued to the Lodges in this year. This was the telegram, and nothing could be worse:—

"This week a very popular physician was raised to the 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree of a Master Mason, and it was the most wonderful performance that has taken place in this Lodge. The Goat bucked all over King Solomon's temple, and it took the doctor so long to regain speech that his friends got uneasy about him."

Both the George Washington Memorial Association and the Masonic Service Association were fully recognised and supported by this Grand Lodge

A Committee was appointed to consider the question of a permanent home for Grand Lodge and to report at the next Annual Communication.

A generous gift of \$50,000 was made by Brother Bernard B. Jones, of Oklahoma, as a contribution to a Higher Educational Endowment Fund for the orphans of Masons, upon condition that a like sum should be contributed by the Lodges. At this Communication the raising of the sum of \$50,000 was made certain, and the condition of Brother Jones's gift effective. He was made an honorary member of this Grand Lodge. This fund is being raised by R. W. Brother Paul H. Murphy for the children of the Masonic Home, and, by resolution of Grand Lodge, is to be known as "The Paul H. Murphy and Edwin J. Martin Educational Endowment Fund."

The Grand Secretary's statistics showed 367 Lodges at the end of 1919; aggregate membership, 23,807; net gain for the year, 2,417. Every Lodge of the 367 had made its returns and paid its dues for 1919—an excellent showing.

The office of the Grand Secretary had been established in the Citizens National Bank building, Meridian.

An increased revenue for the Masonic Home appeared to be absolutely necessary. The Grand Master recommended that the per capita tax be increased 25 cents annually and that the increase be applied to the maintenance of the Home; also that for the purpose of increasing the endowment fund and helping out the maintenance

fund an additional amount be levied by all Lodges when the M. M. degree is conferred.

Upon this the Finance Committee reported as follows:—

“We approve the Grand Master’s recommendations as to the necessity for an increase in the maintenance fund for the Home, and we are sure the heart of every Mason will respond and say our children must be cared for. After careful consideration, however, we suggest the following as a substitute for increased per capita. We recommend that the minimum fee for degrees be as follows, effective March 1st, 1920:—

“Entered Apprentice Degree.....	\$ 10
Fellow Craft Degree.....	10
Master Mason’s Degree.....	10

“And that for each degree conferred the subordinate Lodge shall pay to the Grand Lodge the sum of \$3.50. Of this \$1 for each degree to general fund, \$2 for each degree to go to maintenance fund for the Home, and 50 cents for each degree to go to District Deputy and Grand Lecturer’s fund.

“We recommend that the per capita tax for 1920 be the same as last year and handled in the same manner namely:—

“Masonic Home Maintenance Fund.....	\$ 1 00
“Grand Lodge General Fund.....	75.”

This report was adopted by the general body.

The new Grand Master elected and installed in February, 1920, was Edward L. Faucette, of whom a portrait and a brief description are found in the book of proceedings. His Masonic career, as shown, has been one of activity and progress. The only personal detail vouchsafed is that he was born near Lena, Leake County, Mississippi, on the 27th April, 1870.

There is no Correspondence Review.

Edward. L. Faucette, Newton, Grand Master.

Oliver Lee McKay, Meridian, Grand Secretary.



**MONTANA.**

The proceedings for 1919 are quite interesting if somewhat ancient.

Ernest Hutchinson, who presided as Grand Master at the 55th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana, held in Great Falls on the 20th and 21st August, 1919, has the first place in the volume of proceedings, a speaking portrait being accompanied by an unusually full biographical sketch and appreciation, written by a Mason who evidently knows his Grand Master well. Brother Hutchinson was born in 1873, on a farm in Michigan. By his own exertions and application to study, he acquired a liberal education and was very successful as a schoolmaster. Moving to Montana in 1902, he was elected to the State Legislature in 1908. In 1906 he engaged in the lumber business, and in 1918 entered upon his present occupation of an insurance agent. It was in that year, at the early age of 45, that he was elected Grand Master. His biographer says that he is of the "strenuous" type, and this statement is borne out by his portrait and his address to the Brethren assembled in the City of Great Falls in August, 1919.

Among the worthies who had passed away during Brother Hutchinson's year of office, was one of special note, Dr. Alexander D. Macdonald, who was Grand Master in 1906. Macdonald was born in New Brunswick in 1861, and graduated from McGill University, Montreal, in 1887. In 1891 he went to Kalispell, Montana, and there for 24 years he ministered to the sick and afflicted, and endeared himself to all. From 1915 until his death he was president of the State Tubercular Sanitarium at Galen, Montana; he built up that institution to a place of commanding importance. He was a member of the State Legislature for more than one term and Speaker of the House of Representatives in 1913. The Grand Master knew his predecessor well, and said that most of the services he rendered in his professional capacity to the people of Flathead county, of which Kalispell is the centre, were gratuitous. Just before his death, he said to Brother Hutchinson that the deeds of his life, as he looked back upon them, seemed small. "God bless you,

Doctor", said Hutchison, "that is what makes them big". This is surely well worth recording.

The Masonic Service Association, the George Washington Memorial Association, and the Montana Home, were the main subjects of the Grand Master's address, and he strongly advocated the support of all three.

The Grand Master urged the collecting and preservation of materials for the history of the Montana Lodges, and this was put in the hands of the committee on "Masonic History and Research."

There is much about the war in the address, but it is scarcely of interest now, so fast has been the march of events since August, 1919.

The Senior Grand Warden, R. W. Bro. R. E. Hathaway, reported upon the Masonic Celebration of Peace held by the Grand Lodge of England in June, 1919, at which he had represented the Grand Lodge of Montana. He was a medical officer with the rank of major in the United States Army, and was in France when the request came to him to attend the celebration in London. He gave a brief but very interesting description of the various ceremonies and festivities at which he was present.

Montana enjoyed a fair share of the prosperity which prevailed in 1919 and still prevails in all Masonic bodies. The total membership of the 113 chartered Lodges and 3 working under dispensation in 1919 amounted to 13,813, showing a net gain in a year of 1,332.

The Grand Lodge of Panama was recognised, and action on the request for recognition of the Grand Lodge of Chile was deferred.

It was unanimously resolved that the Grand Lodge of Montana should join the Masonic Service Association of the United States.

As to the George Washington Memorial, Grand Lodge endorsed the proposal for a State campaign for funds and authorised the Grand Master to subscribe \$1,000 in the name of the Grand Lodge.

Large sums were voted for the Masonic Home.

After the election and installation of the new Grand Officers, the interesting ceremony of presenting the Signet Ring to the Grand Master was performed. The ring was fashioned in 1886 by Brother Samuel Word, then Grand Master, out of pure native Montana gold, and had been worn by him and his 32 successors. It was handed to the 34th in succession with the injunction that it was to be passed on to his successor in turn.

The Report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee, prepared by H. S. Hepner, Past Grand Master—his 11th annual report—is in all respects excellent. The proceedings of our own Grand Lodge in the remote year 1918, at Windsor, are briefly but appreciatively noticed. We quote a passage from Brother Hepner's spirited conclusion:—

"The war that was on, and the war that is gone, War Relief and how to utilise it, French Masonry with its peculiar ramifications in for directions, the awakening of Central American and South American Jurisdictions to a desire to be taken to the bosom of the family of recognised Grand Lodges, the problems of after-war adjustments, the portraying of the glory that is ours and of the world in the suppression of tyrannical ideals, the attitude to take to German Masonry if any survived the cruelty of the war-dominion, and many other problems, have received the best thoughts and expressions of the minds and tongues of the many brilliant men of the Craft throughout the world; and we have endeavoured to cull here and there the best of these, even though in slight morsels, and present them for the delectation of the Brethren in this land of Shining Mountains."

W. L. Parmallee, 929 West Woolman Street, Butte, Grand Master.

Cornelius Hedges jun., Helena, Grand Secretary.

## NEBRASKA.

The printed proceedings are studiously brief, but it is a case of *multum in parvo*, The whole volume, including the index, contains only 179 pages, and of those only 25 are allotted to the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, while 26 are given up to the reports

of the two delegates who attended the Masonic Peace Celebration in London in June, 1919.

The proceedings are for the year 1920, the 63rd Annual Communication being held in Omaha on the 8th and 9th June of that year.

Grand Master John J. Tooley presided over a gathering of Masons which included the representatives of 230 of the 275 chartered Lodges.

His address was a masterly one, most excellent in form as well as in substance.

After some remarks of a general nature he referred to the death, in August, 1919, at his home in Beaver City, of Past Grand Master Thomas Milburn Davis, who was born in 1854, and was Grand Master in 1914-15. His was a genial, lovable character—instinct with a broad spirit of charity and liberality of thought and action.

The Grand Master did not “view with alarm” the increasing popularity of Masonry, at all events in Nebraska. This is what he said:—

“The year has been one of unusual growth in membership. The initiations have aggregated more than 4,000 with a net increase in membership of almost 2,700, being a gain of more than 1,000, over that of last year; 724 petitions were rejected, indicating that the outer door is being carefully guarded and that due discrimination is being exercised by the constituent bodies. There are those who conscientiously view this unusual growth with some alarm. I am happy to say, however, that I do not entertain such forebodings. This large influx in membership is made up almost wholly of the flower of our young manhood and comes largely from men who saw service in the great war. Through their experience and associations with large bodies of men, they have come to form exalted ideas of the principles upon which the Masonic Fraternity is based. They enter the Lodge with the most lofty ideals and purposes. It only remains for the Lodge to make possible the realisation of these ideals in order to convert this new material into a mighty force for the upbuilding of the Masonic Order and society in general. This great opportunity is open before us for rejection or approval. What the harvest shall be rests entirely with us.”



With regard to the Masonic Homes of Nebraska—there are two, one at Plattsmouth and one at Fremont—the situation is much the same as in other States. They are apparently regarded as necessary and are doing efficient work, but ever-increasing demands are being made for endowment, maintenance, and extension. It seems to be thoroughly understood that the Homes are the business of the Grand Lodge and of all the Masons in the State. And the underlying thesis is that the Masonic Order cannot justify its existence without continually exercising benevolence and extending its operation. At the Plattsmouth Home the thing most needed is a hospital for the inmates. As to this the Grand Master said:—

“Attention has been called to this need many times in the past, and it is to be hoped that some decided action may be taken that will relieve this unfortunate situation. Whatever Masons do for their unfortunate Brothers and Brothers’ wives in their old age should be done well. This I believe to be the sincere desire of every Mason in this Grand Jurisdiction. The only reason that this additional equipment has not been provided long ago is that the situation is not as well understood as it should be. Many of our members have little knowledge of our Homes beyond the bare fact that they exist. This lack of knowledge is not the fault of the members, but rather is due to the fact that the information covering our charitable activities has not been as freely disseminated as it should be”.

Of course the Masonic Service Association and the Washington Memorial Association were not forgotten. This Grand Lodge supports both.

There were 275 chartered Lodges and 3 under dispensation when this Grand Communication was held; the number of Master Masons on the rolls on the 31st March, 1912, was 30,806; and the net gain for the year ending on that day was 2,670.

Robert E. French, of Kearney, who was Grand Master in 1890, and has been in attendance on Grand Lodge for 36 years, is Grand Custodian and a very active worker in Nebraska Masonry. He presented his 20th annual report, which showed strenuous and increasing work among the Lodges—a Nomad, he calls himself.



Francis E. White, the Grand Secretary, is still more of a veteran. He has been for 48 years an attendant upon the meetings of Grand Lodge, and he was one of the two delegates to the London Peace Celebration. He appears to have enjoyed himself thoroughly, and records with youthful enthusiasm his impressions of what he saw and heard. The same may be said of the other delegate, Past Grand Master John A. Ehrhardt, also a veteran. He was Grand Master in 1894, 26 years ago, and his attendance in Grand Lodge began in 1885.

Brother Ehrhardt is the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. He was required to prepare a report not exceeding 50 pages, and succeeded in cutting his allotment in half. Next year he is to be allowed 100 pages. Our Grand Lodge proceedings are not included in his review, although those of other Canadian Jurisdictions are.

Joseph B. Bradenburg, Keeline Building, Omaha, Grand Master.

Francis E. White, Masonic Temple, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

### NETHERLANDS.

We are again confronted with the language difficulty—for Dutch of Holland is to us unknown, and we doubt whether a version of that language would be included in the curriculum of the Schole of Stratford-atte-Bow, if that famous seminary were still in existence.

The printed proceedings which we have recently received are evidently those of the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands for the year 1919-20. We also gather that they begin with the annual address of the Grand Master reviewing the work of the year. With hesitation we add some names and addresses:—

S. M. Hugo Van Gijn, Achter Hakkers, 2 Dodrecht, Grand Master.

H. P. Van Nieuwenburg, 34 De-Ruyterstraat, Den Haag, Grand Secretary.

G. A. Koops, 64 Emmastraat, Den Haag, Assistant Grand Secretary.

**NEVADA.**

The Grand Lodge of Nevada held its 56th Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, Reno, on the 9th and 10th June, 1920, M. W. Bro. William B. S. Park (portrait), Grand Master, presiding. A Masonic Quartette sang appropriate passages from famous oratorios during the proceedings.

The Grand Master, in his address, said that he had visited nearly all the Lodges in the Jurisdiction, and in doing so had travelled more than 4,000 miles. While he thought highly of the general work done in the Lodges he had visited, he pointed out that the ceremony of installation was not as well performed in most of the Lodges as it should be—there was no reason for slighting it. He urged upon the Brethren the duty of supporting the public schools of the country “to the limit.” The address is framed in the best Masonic spirit, but it is not of special interest to Brethren in other Jurisdictions.

In February, 1920, a warning was addressed to the Lodges by the Grand Master to “use the utmost diligence in preventing persons whose ideals and ideas are at variance with the fundamental principles of Masonry and of our country from gaining admission into the Fraternity.”

There are 22 constituent Lodges, having an aggregate membership on the 15th April, 1920, of 2,178—net gain in a year exactly 100.

The memorial pages, as we have had occasion to say before, are in excellent taste. Interleaved with them are portraits of Past Grand Masters Enoch Strother and Matthew Kyle. Brother Strother died in Iowa in July, 1918, at the age of 83; he was Grand Master in 1896. Brother Kyle, who was Grand Master in 1898, died at Reno in June, 1919.

We do not find the annual “oration” among the proceedings as printed.

Edward D. Vanderlieth, who is "Grand Commissioner of Review," as well as Grand Secretary, reviews the proceedings of 44 Grand Lodges in the United States, 9 in Canada, and 14 in other countries—one of the latter being "China, Northern District," and another "Belgium." The proceedings of our own Grand Lodge reviewed were those of 1919. The reviews are very pleasant reading. Brother Vanderlieth's "conclusion" deserves quotation:—

"Craftsmen, the worth and strength of Masonry depends upon the character of its members. The kind of man Masonry turns out is the surest test of the Craft. A good character is the fruit of personal exertion. Strive ye, to that end, and let us learn to love our fellows more, and to show our love for God in greater service for Brotherman.

"With the Poet Lowell, remember that:—

"He's true to God, who's true to man, wherever work is done,

"To the humblest and the weakest, 'neath the all-beholding sun,

"That wrong is also done to us, and they are slaves most base,

"Whose love of right is for themselves, and not for all their race."

Harry H. Atkinson, Tonopah, Grand Master.

Edward D. Vanderlieth, Reno, Grand Secretary.

### NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The 61st Semi-annual Communnction of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was held in Freemasons Hall, Manchester, on the 30th December, 1919; Grand Master Harry Goodenow Noyes presided. At this meeting the work of the several degrees was exemplified by different Lodges. Comments were made by the State Grand Lecturer and another Grand Lecturer. And the Grand Secretary gave a report of the things done at the annual meeting of the Masonic Service

Association of the United States, held in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in November, 1919.

The 131st Annual Communication was held in Freemasons Hall, Concord, on the 19th May, 1920—Grand Master Noyes again presiding.

The extinction of a shining light in New Hampshire Masonry was the subject of remark early in the Grand Master's address. George Isaac McAllister was born at Londonderry, N.H., in 1853, was called to the New Hampshire bar in 1881, and practised in Manchester, where he died. He was Grand Master in 1900, Grand Commander in another branch of Masonry in the same year, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home for nearly 14 years. Death took him in December, 1919. He was in many ways a remarkable man, and, said the Grand Master, was loved by all the Craft.

We find in the Grand Master's address treatment of the stock subjects—the Washington Memorial, as to which we learn that the association was formed in 1910, the Masonic Home, and the Masonic Service Association, all of which he recommended to the favourable consideration of the Brethren.

The sentiment which leads to the decoration of the graves of the distinguished dead may well become operative in Masonry. We read that Rising Star Lodge, of Newmarket, New Hampshire, on Sunday the 22nd June, 1919, with appropriate ceremony decorated the grave of the first Grand Master of New Hampshire Masons, Major-General John Sullivan. The Grand Master thought this an example worthy of imitation.

The net gain in membership for 1919—727—was a record for this small State. The total membership at the end of that year was 12,247. It was pointed out that there had been 230 rejections, which was evidence that selection had been exercised. By the report of the Committee on Returns it appeared that there were at the time of the Annual Communication 80 Lodges upon the register, all of which had made returns.

Resolutions providing for systematic financial aid to the Home, and a stated provision for securing an annual contribution to the Masonic Service Association were introduced, and laid upon the table until the next Annual Communication, as they involved constitutional changes.

The unanimous adoption of a resolution authorising an assessment of \$1 upon every affiliated Mason in the State to make up a fund, to be paid over to the Washington Memorial Association as New Hampshire's quota, is recorded.

Generous payments for the support of the Home, which is in Manchester, were made during the year.

There is a record of the proceedings of the New Hampshire Society of Veteran Freemasons at the 26th Annual Meeting held on the day before the Communication of Grand Lodge.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by M. W. Brother Harry M. Cheney, who is reviewer as well as Grand Secretary—his 14th report in annual succession. A part of his brief introduction may be quoted:—

“It is safe to say that Masonically there has never been such a year as the one just past. At first thought I have been frightened at our growth in numbers, but the fear has been somewhat allayed as I have heard of the rejections. The ballot-box is being properly used if I am not mistaken. I only hope that the present-day popularity of Masonry is not due to a curious or superficial desire, but that it carries with it a well-defined purpose to serve God and His people.”

We find 58 reviews of proceedings of other Grand Lodges. They are short—deliberately so, we are told—but much to the point. The proceedings of our Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario (1919) are among those summarised.



Harry Goodenow Noyes, Gorham, Grand Master (re-elected).

Harry Morrison Cheney, Concord, Grand-Secretary (re-elected).

### NEW JERSEY.

It is our firm belief that no better address was ever delivered by a Grand Master than that read by William L. Daniels at the 133rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, held in Trenton on the 21st and 22nd April, 1920. In his case we miss more than ever the friendly biographical note which helps us to understand the personality of a middle-aged man of intellectual appearance whose portrait confronts us when we open the book of proceedings, and who writes with practised ease a thoughtful commentary on the Masonry of to-day.

Little is told of the three eminent New Jersey Masons who died in 1919—J. Clarence Conover, who was Grand Master in 1909; Charles Perkins Russ, Grand Master in 1914; and William Franklin Burk, Grand Treasurer from 1908 until the time of his death.

Some remarks of the Grand Master about the New Jersey Home are of wide and general application:—

“It will be necessary for the income of the Home to be increased materially if necessary additions to our buildings are to be made and a suitable endowment fund accumulated..... The high cost of living has reached the Home and increased our per capita cost of maintenance from about 70 cents to \$1.32. .... I urgently recommend that the per capita tax for the support of the Home be increased from 50 cents, as at present, to \$1, and that initiates be required to pay a tax of \$10 each instead of \$5.50 as heretofore. I further recommend that Lodges shall be required to make it clear to their initiates that this fee of \$10 is in *addition* to the initiation fee of the Lodge—not included in it—so that all new members may have the knowledge that they are beginning their

Masonic activities by a definite contribution to the care of the old and infirm in our ranks.....a valuable lesson in Masonic charity.

"The one great thing to which we can point with pride in our *Masonic Home*, which is the one tangible evidence we have to show that we are practising *Masonic charity*. A great work is being done there, and I feel sure you all hope that a greater work will be done in the future, if needs require it, but to do this work expense must be incurred. We probably could not do as was recently done in Connecticut, where a splendid new Home was dedicated, costing nearly a quarter of a million dollars. This was done in a State with a Masonic population only a little more than half of ours, and it was done by asking every Mason in the State to contribute \$5 toward the cost. Every dollar of that assessment has been paid, and a splendid and commodious Home has been built and dedicated. In addition to this special tax, a per capita tax of \$1.25 is paid by the Lodges to the support of the Home. Every Lodge in that State also has to clothe the inmates it sends to the Home, and at their death it buries them. This shows what can be done in a State much smaller than ours, and I hope we shall not be found wanting in our efforts to do as well in our State."

At the risk of shocking some of the Brethren of Grand Lodge, the Grand Master recommended that the Order of the Eastern Star should be allowed representation on the Ladies' Committee of the Masonic Home.

Another recommendation was that the Grand Secretary's salary should be increased by \$1,000 *per annum*—"having in mind the efficiency of his service, the increasing work of his office, and the great increase in the cost of living." It is always pleasant to read of recognition of the services of a permanent officer. It is very often, perhaps generally, the case that the Grand Secretary, who renders services which if rendered to a commercial concern would be remunerated by payment of double the amount he receives from the Grand Lodge, has practically cut himself off, by his acceptance of office, from returning to profes-

sional or commercial life. The argument that he cannot afford to resign and therefore that his salary should be stationary, in spite of efficiency, increasing duties, and increasing cost of living, is such a mean and contemptible one that no decent man would use it—but there is always a danger of a corporate body being swayed by it. An aggregation of men is, as has often been pointed out, a very different entity from each and every of its component parts individually.

Speaking of the Washington National Masonic Memorial, the Grand Master recommended that this Grand Lodge should become a member of the association and contribute \$1,000 to the fund being raised for the erection of the memorial building at Alexandria, Virginia. "The work will go on whether we go into it or not," he said; and he further recommended that a committee be appointed to carry on the effort of raising a sum based on an assessment of \$1 for every member of a Lodge in the State.

What the Grand Master said about the Masonic Service Association of the United States was striking:—

"I endorse this association, and my principal reason for doing so is that it seems to me to recognise that we mean what we say when we tell our candidates that 'to relieve distress wherever found is a duty incumbent upon all Masons.' "

He strongly recommended the hearty endorsement of the association by Grand Lodge, "and that by specific resolution you become a member thereof, ready and anxious at all times to keep our State to the front when the call comes to help those whose misfortunes are greater than they can bear alone."

All these recommendations were approved and adopted by the Grand Lodge.

Coming to a discussion of general conditions, to which the Grand Master had evidently given anxious thought, he said that there are two general views of

what Masonry is or should be. One view—and perhaps the one generally held—is that “our duty as a charitable society begins and ends, except in unusual cases, with relief within our own ranks, and almost entirely within our own Lodges.” The other view is the Grand Master’s own—let us quote:—

“The other view of Masonry.....is that the Masonic Fraternity should be a body of carefully selected men whose object in becoming Masons is to increase their opportunities for doing good in the world, no matter whence the call may come, and in this way gaining the recognition of us by the world in general as an institution devoted to the work of lessening the sorrow and distress of those less fortunate than ourselves. No greater bar to our general recognition as a world-wide agency for good can be found than the belief so generally held by those outside our Fraternity, that our activities are devoted to our own kind only, and surely we have done much to make that belief a fair and reasonable one. Probably there is no Mason, however unworthy, who would not like to feel that his Fraternity holds a high position among the beneficent institutions of the world; but how many members have we who are willing to adopt and work in accordance with a view that will raise us above the level of a sect and place us in the proud position of a great civilising agency devoted to the service of mankind?”

Dealing with the marvellous increase in members of this Grand Lodge in 1919—roundly from 50,000 to 55,000—the Most Worshipful said that, while gratifying, it might be a cause for some anxiety “In the tremendously important work of selecting candidates but little care is shown in many instances..... We can never hope for Masonry to reach its proper place in the estimation of mankind until we realise—as we too often do not now realise—that we depend upon, or should depend upon, the quality and not the quantity of our members, and that every unworthy member taken into a Lodge not only lowers the quality of membership in that Lodge but also affects the quality of the Masonry in his city, state, and nation. To realise this fully will be to realise that the

making of an unworthy member by one Lodge is a matter of vital concern to every other Lodge."

It is perhaps loosely believed by Masons that really bad men are not likely to seek admission to the Order. It has little attraction for such, it may be said. The chief concern of most Lodges is not in regard to members of positively evil lives, "open and notorious evil-livers," as the Prayer Book hath it, but with indifferent members, men who are well enough, but who have never taken or have ceased to take a real interest in Masonry. In all folds there are some black sheep. Wise outsiders will not condemn Masonry because there are some unworthy Masons; and it seems to us that Lodges are prone, more than other organisations, to expel the open and notorious evil-livers who have crept in or have degenerated after getting in. *Nemo repente turpissimus*,

There are about 210 active Lodges in the Jurisdiction—the exact number is not given—the total membership on the 1st January, 1920, was 55,083, and the net gain for 1919 was 5,295.

The charter of Schiller Lodge was arrested in January, 1920, under the instructions of the Grand Master, for contempt in refusing to obey the order of the Grand Lodge requiring all Lodges to do their work and keep their records in the English language. This action of the Grand Master was approved by Grand Lodge. The Committee on Ritual, headed by our old friend Grand Instructor Henry S. Haines, were "of unanimous opinion that no secret society should exist whose ritual proceedings and records are in any language but that of the country in which it is placed, and we feel a regret, shared no doubt by a majority of the members of the Grand Lodge, that the abnormal condition of national affairs made this legislation appear to be directed against those of one particular nationality."

Past Grand Master Austen H. McGregor, who represented the Grand Master at the Peace Celebration in London in June, 1919, made a very interesting



report of the ceremonies and the attendant festivities and hospitalities, all of which he highly commended.

We find a condensed but excellent Report on Foreign Correspondence, presented by R. W. Brother Robert A. Shirrefs. The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario) of 1919 are favourably noticed.

Cooper H. Prickitt, Trenton, Grand Master.

Isaac Cherry, Trenton, Grand Secretary.

### NEW MEXICO.

The 41st Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held on the 9th December, 1918, as recorded by our predecessor in 1919. The 42nd Annual Communication was held on the 16th February, 1920. The book of proceedings did not reach us in time for notice in 1920; it is now before us. On opening it we are confronted with a photograph of Alexander D. Goldenberg, elected Grand Master in 1918, who however did not preside at the Communication of February, 1920. On that and the two following days the Grand Lodge was opened by Deputy Grand Master Richard H. Hanna, and, "there not being a constitutional number of Lodges represented, owing to health conditions throughout the State," the Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment until the 15th March, 1920. On that and the two following days the Grand Lodge was in session. The Grand Master read a very good address. He dealt chiefly with domestic matters, taking occasion however to recommend this Grand Lodge to assume membership in the Masonic Service Association of the United States. One of the objects of the association especially appealed to him—education or enlightenment. His observation during the past year had been that Masonic education had been neglected, that the attendance at meetings was small, and that little interest was taken in Lodge affairs. Trenchant and sound dicta of the association were commended to the attention of the Brethren, as follows:—

"1. Our outstanding weaknesses are vanity and office seeking.

"2. The Blue Lodge has too often been treated as a stepping stone.

"3. Statistics of membership increase are not reassuring when too little attention is paid to the spirit of Masonry.

"4. The Grand Lodges should control Free Masonry. They must hold themselves responsible for improper developments in the past.

"What our work in the Lodges should aim to do: Masonry is a progressive science. We must make it so. Our Lodge membership must be encouraged to discuss the needs of the times, and material must be afforded them so that they can do it intelligently."

Grand Lodge decided to accept the privileges and assume the financial burdens of membership in and attendance upon the sessions of the association.

The claims of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association were also acknowledged.

The report of Grand Secretary Alpheus A. Keen for the year 1919 showed 50 chartered Lodges, one under dispensation, 4,761 members, and net gain for the year 424.

The report of Brother John Milne, Committee on Foreign Correspondence, is in topical form. Some of the headings are: "Army Lodges," "Ballot," "Chain Prayers," "Clandestines," "Decisions." Under each head quotations are given from the printed proceedings of other Grand Lodges, and it is premised that "this review includes the proceedings" of 54 Jurisdiction, "Canada" (1918 and 1919) being one. We find a quotation from Brother Ponton's Report on the Condition of Masonry (in Ontario) in a symposium of opinions upon French Masonry. In Brother Milne's "Conclusion" he says that "it seems foolish to talk

recognition until we adopt another standard for moral qualifications or France meets ours," and he quotes Mackey as to what "ours" are.

Richard H. Hanna, Albuquerque, Grand Master.

Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

### NEW SOUTH WALES.

Although we had no report from New South Wales in time for review in 1920, the continuity has not been broken: for we find that our predecessor had before him in 1919 the proceedings at four Quarterly Communications, the last of which was in June, 1918, and the volume now (May, 1921) before us begins with the Quarterly Communication in September, 1918. The volume itself is intituled "Proceedings and 31st Annual Report of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons, for the year ended June, 1919: Sydney, 1920."

At the four Quarterly Communications the proceedings of which are recorded in this volume, M. W. Bro. William Thompson, Grand Master, presided; so also at a special meeting held on the 17th December, 1918, "to commemorate the termination of the war and the glorious and final victory of the allied armies." And at each meeting the Grand Master made an address. At the special meeting an original Ode, composed for the occasion, was recited by the Grand Bard, W. Bro. William H. Ore.

At each of the Quarterly Communications, reports were presented by the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Grand Inspector of Workings, Board of General Purposes, and Board of Benevolence.

The best features of British and American Grand Lodges are happily combined in New South Wales.

At the end of the volume we find the Annual Report for the year ending the 30th April, 1919, of the Freemasons' Benevolent Institution for the Permanent Relief of Aged, Distressed, or Infirm Freemasons, and their Wives and Widows, in New South

Wales, under the Patronage of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales and supported entirely by voluntary contributions. It appears that the year was a record one—the objective of £5,000 having been reached, entirely by voluntary contributions.

We have not been able to find any statement of the numerical strength of the Order, but we learn that there were 289 Lodges at the end of the year 1919. The Grand Treasurer has four funds in his hands, with a large balance to the credit of each, aggregating over £100,000. The Fund of Benevolence is the largest, as is right and proper.

At the last Quarterly (June) Communication, the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was read by the Chairman, V. W. Bro. S. Scott-Young, as follows:—

“Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence have pleasure in reporting that, as the result of their investigations into the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, they find harmony and brotherly co-operation prevailing, not only within but among the Jurisdictions of the world, save and except the Teutonic Grand Lodges, which have not yet been re-admitted into the great Masonic family.

“As a sign of the times and a result of the portentous events which during the past five years have stirred, disorganised, and are now re-organising the social and political economy of the world, we note a threefold effect on the Fraternity of Masons:—

“1. The prodigious increase in the number of applications for admission to its mysteries and privileges.

“2. The question of physical perfection is presenting itself for a favourable answer with great insistence. The number of men maimed at the war who desire to enter Masonry, and who are qualified in every mental and moral capacity, but apparently disqualified in having lost some portions of their anatomy in battle, raises the question of a liberal interpretation of the ancient landmarks. Already many

Grand Masters have adopted such an interpretation, and have permitted Brethren with artificial limbs to pass our portals. So important has the matter been deemed to be, that in many quarters there is a demand for a world's conference of Grand Masters or other delegates to discuss, and possibly come to some agreement on, this question.

"3. The advent of many soldiers from British, Colonial, and American Lodges, to France and Belgium, has brought about visitation into the Continental Lodges, from whom recognition has for a long time been withheld in consequence of their withdrawal of the volume of the Sacred Law from their altars and the sacred name of God from their obligations and ceremonies.

"Our men have been received in a spirit of true fraternity, and have been accorded many kindnesses and much hospitality.

"This has naturally created a demand for recognition and reconciliation, and with the advent of the Angel of Peace among the nations of the world, it may be that the Spirit of Fraternal Charity will find some way for a *rapprochement* with these Grand Orient, whose members have fought by our side in the sacred cause for which we have each made such great sacrifices."

The reviews of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges are distributed among the members of the committee and are printed in the appendix. The Grand Lodges are grouped under geographical headings—United Kingdom, Australasia, Other British Territories, United States of America, and Foreign Territories. "Other British Territories" is really confined to Canada. Of our own particular Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario) Bro. Kerr Howie, who does the review, has much to say. The proceedings reviewed are those of 1918 (Windsor). We are favourably impressed with the work of the reviewers.



William Thompson, Sydney, Grand Master (re-elected).

Arthur H. Bray, Masonic Hall, Castlereagh Street, Sydney, Grand Secretary.

### NEW YORK.

Grand Master William S. Farmer, coming to the end of his second year of office, presided at the 139th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New York, which was opened in the Grand Lodge Room, Masonic Hall, City of New York, on the 4th May, 1920, and continued in session during that day and the two next following. A great deal of business was transacted.

The Grand Master, in his address, was "pleased to report that unusual harmony has prevailed, that no factional, personal, or other differences have interfered with our steady progress, and that the Fraternity today in this State holds a high position in the galaxy of fraternal organisations."

R. W. Bro. Seymour H. Stone, Past Master, served Central City Lodge, No. 305, as Master in 1868 and 1869, and was a District Deputy Grand Master in 1869. He died in Syracuse in January, 1920. He began his Masonic career in 1853, and was, therefore, a Mason for more than 66 years, "and no one in this part of the country who has died in recent years figures so prominently as he in Masonry." In 1867 and 1868 he was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of New York. The Grand Master said that the record of the year showed that death had not dealt kindly with the Fraternity in New York, and among the departed he selected for special mention Brother Stone and R. W. Bro. John R. Gardner, Past Master of Excelsior Lodge No. 195; also a Past District Deputy Grand Master, "a true friend and charming companion," who died in November, 1919.

An important event of 1919 was the laying of the corner-stone of the Hospital in connection with the Masonic Home at Utica. The War and Relief Administration of Grand Lodge is charged with the duty

of building the hospital, which is to cost about \$700,000. The Grand Master said that the Grand Lodge of New York was organised in 1781; and since that time, now for 138 years, not one single effort had been made, so far as the authorities of the present day knew, for the care of the sick and afflicted. About 25 years ago the Home for the care of the aged and indigent and their dependants was builded by the Craft, at Utica, but even then no thought was given to the sick. No Brother suffering from disease could be admitted. The corner-stone of the Hospital had been laid. When the building should be completed, the Fraternity would have taken the best step forward since its beginning in this State. An endowment fund for the Home and Hospital had been created by assessing each person initiated at \$10—"the most progressive and up-to-date step ever taken by this Fraternity."

Some sensible remarks were made by the Grand Master upon the foreign language problem. There is an edict of the Grand Lodge of New York that all work in the Lodges be done in the English language. That was by consensus of opinion recognised as a step in the right direction.

"The foreign language press," said the Most Worshipful, "even though it loudly praises America, necessarily tends to perpetuate immigrant colonies. So does the foreign language pulpit and the foreign language Lodge.

"The language problem facing America is different from that facing any other country. The question has nothing whatever to do with the advantages of knowing more than one language, or the inherent superiority of one language above another. If every American knew American, then as many other languages might be taught as could be absorbed.

"The problem here is to have a common language as national cement. It is a political matter and not a cultural one, although some confuse the two things and deem it narrow to exclude the alien tongues. Depend upon it, Brethren, we must look forward to the time when the foreign language press and the foreign

language church and the foreign language lodge fraternity are ended, except as able to survive among those who know English as well."

The Grand Master in his able and inspiring address referred to many other matters of importance. He strongly advocated loyal support of both the Masonic Service Association of the United States and the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

The figures given by Robert Judson Kenworthy, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary, in his report, are of course large ones: 879 Lodges, all of which had made returns and paid dues; 234,894 Master Masons at the end of 1919; net gain in a year, 14,117.

The Brooklyn Masonic Guild made a report to Grand Lodge, in which it was said that the chief event of the year for the Guild was the reception and ball held in February, 1920. In addition to this being a great social event, the net proceeds exceeded \$10,000. The retiring president of the Guild said that this was a "splendid result," and added that his "earnest hope is, that we not only have an annual ball and reception, but that this affair be supplemented by others of a similar nature, so that we may hurry the day when we may see, actually before us, that for which our Guild is organised—a Home for Indigent Masons on Long Island." We are not told why this report was brought into Grand Lodge. It was apparently not even "received" in the parliamentary sense, but "was ordered printed in the proceedings." In our view that was a mistake.

In the report of the Grand Historian, R. W. Bro. Ossian H. Long, we find a thrilling account of the turbulent period in the history of Freemasonry in the State of New York from 1826 to 1856, including of course the Anti-Masonic excitement and the Morgan episode, and ending happily in the establishment of Grand Lodge unity.

The report of the Masonic Overseas Mission, presented by Past Grand Master Townsend Scudder, and

dated the 1st October, 1919, is a very interesting document. Judge Scudder reported also upon "Lodges Overseas." He had exercised a delegated jurisdiction over those Lodges during and after the war.

"Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence begs leave to submit herewith its 32nd Annual report." Thus beginneth the report, and it is signed by William Sherer, S. Nelson Sawyer, and Emil Frenkel. If the quoted words mean that these same three men have been writing a report every year for 32 years, it is a wonderful achievement. There is excellent matter in the report. Among other things it contains a note upon the advantages of having such reports, which we take pleasure in transcribing:—

"Your Committee believes that a careful study of the annual reports on Foreign Correspondence should prove of inestimable value to the Brethren. Here Freemasonry is shown in operation, achievements and needs are pointed out, the causes of successes and failures of new departures are revealed, critical problems looming up here and there are exhibited, watchwords uttered by leaders of the Craft are quoted—surely, the summary survey of the field ought to be of considerable service to the thoughtful reader for obtaining a fair idea of the trend of the Fraternity in the several Jurisdictions."

This is excellently well put.

The reviews are classified—United States, Dominion of Canada, and Foreign Grand Lodges. The classification is not strictly logical, but Canada is apparently looked upon as a neighbour rather than a foreigner. Scotland and New South Wales, for instance, being farther away, are classed as "foreign," though Canada is really foreign in the same sense. Under still another head, "Freemasonry Abroad," we find some accounts of Masonry in Germany, Austria, Holland, Switzerland, Jugoslavia, Mexico, Venezuela, etc.

We are sorry to find that our own Grand Lodge—Canada (in the Province of Ontario)—has no place

in this 1920 review. A year ago we noted that our proceedings of 1918 were reviewed in 1919.

The reviews are quite short, but informing.

Robert H. Robinson, New York, Grand Master.

Robert Judson Kenworthy, New York, Grand Secretary.

### NEW ZEALAND.

The 31st Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in the Victoria Hall, Invercargill, on the 3rd May, 1920; Past Grand Master Maurice Thompson presiding, in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Justice Herdman, the Grand Master, who sent a letter expressing regret for his inability to attend. The letter was in effect an address, containing matter of importance to the Craft. Among other things, the Grand Master said:—

“In a material sense at any rate the Grand Lodge of New Zealand is making steady progress.

“It must be a matter of very deep gratification to members of the Grand Lodge to know that, despite the social dislocation caused by the war, Masonry throughout New Zealand has slowly and surely extended its influence.

“He who is a good Mason must be a good citizen. The good Mason understands that a society of human beings will totter and crumble away unless it possesses some code of rules which recognises that the strong must protect the weak and that the interest of the individual must often be subordinated to the general good of the rest of his fellow-men.”

“The inherent worth of Masonry makes a Mason an inherently worthy man. He is better equipped as a citizen through being a Mason than he would have been had he never been brought within the pale of Masonic influence.”

“I hold very strongly that there should be one Grand Lodge only exercising jurisdiction in New Zea-



land—the Grand Lodge of New Zealand—and that there should be no Craft Lodges excepting those which owe allegiance to the Grand Lodge of New Zealand. At the present time, speaking generally, the Grand Lodge of New Zealand and Masons throughout New Zealand are on the friendliest footing with the members of English, Scotch, and Irish Lodges, but it must be plain to every Brother that in the interests of Masonry unity is desirable. At present Masonic forces in New Zealand are disunited, and so energy is wasted and usefulness impaired, but the day will certainly come when every Craft Lodge in New Zealand territory will come under the dominion of our own Grand Lodge.

“There is one other matter upon which I have formed a decided opinion. The removal of the Grand Lodge office and staff and records from one centre to another, at the end of every two years, is inconvenient, wasteful, and farcical. During the infancy of Grand Lodge, when it was struggling to make its way in the face of violent opposition, it may have been desirable that the Grand Secretary should, in addition to transacting the ordinary business of Grand Lodge in one of the principal centres, play the part of a missionary, but that time has gone by. Hold your Annual Communication where you please. Elect whom you please to be the business managers of your institutions, but pray do what other business institutions do: establish your place of business in one centre and keep it there.”

R. W. Bro. Thomas Ross, P.D.G.M., was elected Grand Master for 1920-21.

There are 212 active Lodges with an aggregate membership of 16,025. The net gain for the year was 999.

From the report of the Board of General Purposes we extract this paragraph:—

“Lord Plunket, Past Grand Master, will be greatly missed, and his death at a comparatively early age, when he appeared to have the promise of many years ahead of him, came as a great shock. He was the

first Governor of this Dominion who held the office of Grand Master, and he proved one of the most active. For four years he guided the destinies of this Grand Lodge so well and so wisely as to add materially to its already high reputation, and in his retirement he continued to take an earnest interest in Masonic affairs and to exercise strong influence for good in regard to the Imperial side of Freemasonry."

The Board reported as follows and the report was apparently adopted:—

"That French Masonry, as now practised, is inconsistent with the constitution and nature of Freemasonry, as understood in New Zealand, and that recognition should not be extended at present to any or either of the three Grand Bodies claiming jurisdiction in France."

Thomas Ross, Dunedin, Grand Master.

Malcolm Niccol, P.O. Box 664, Dunedin, Grand Secretary.

### **NORTH CAROLINA.**

The Grand Lodge is among the Progressives, and the proceedings are very interesting. They are those of the 133rd Annual Communication, held in Raleigh, on the 20th, 21st, and 22nd January, 1920.

Some strong words of warning were embodied in the address of the presiding officer, Grand Master Henry A. Grady:—

"We find that Masons are not satisfied with the divine truths inculcated in the symbolic degrees; but they wish to wear the purple of the so-called "higher bodies." The Arabic Fez, coupled with a foolish street parade, brings more joy to the modern Mason than all the beauties of the third obligation; and the resurrection of the body pales into insignificance when compared to the alcoholic elevation of the soul. And, although we are taught that it is decidedly unmasonic to solicit candidates, yet we find a large number of those "elevated" gentry going about the State with petitions in their pockets, openly and notoriously beg-

ging men to join; and I have no hesitancy in asserting that 90 per cent. of the Knights Templars, Shriners, and 32nd degree Scottish Rite Masons are unable to repeat the obligation of the Master's Degree as it is taught by the Grand Lecturers. I know that this statement will be challenged; but I stand ready for the test.

"I have made these remarks because I felt it my duty to do so; and I wish to warn the Masons of this State that, while there is much good in these "higher bodies," yet, in many instances, we are subjecting ourselves and the Order to ridicule and derision; and, in respect to one of them, we may be building in our midst an Hierarchy not unlike that which we are constantly taught to condemn."

The Grand Master also spoke strongly, but in these cases favourably, of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, the George Washington National Memorial Association, and the Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

"Maim or deformity shall not prevent a candidate from initiation and advancement, provided such candidate can, by artificial means, comply with the provisions of paragraph 1 of section 111 of the Code." In recommending the adoption of an amendment in the words quoted, the Grand Master said that it would enable many good men who are now totally disqualified to join the Order, and the substance of the law will not be changed. The recommendation was adopted by Grand Lodge.

An unusual exercise of disciplinary powers is recorded by the Grand Master. It appears that on a December evening, after the close of a Lodge meeting, the Master of the Lodge and the two Deacons betook themselves to a hotel—it was still 1919—"where they became intoxicated and acted in the most outrageous and unbecoming manner. They were ejected from the hotel by the proprietor and warrants were issued by the local authorities for their arrest and trial. These men were suspended from membership, and the Grand Master directed that charges of unmasonic conduct

should be preferred against them. The Grand Master said that this had been the most painful act of his administration; he felt that the honour of Masonry was at stake; "and if men are permitted thus to degrade themselves while holding high office and go unchallenged we cannot expect or demand the respect and good opinion of those who are less informed." The Grand Master's words and actions reflect credit on Masonry. Perhaps the more painful duty was to give the incident publicity. The names are given in the Grand Lodge proceedings—wisely, we think, in the interests of Masonry.

A wonderfully generous gift to Grand Lodge was that of Brother Isaac Emerson of Baltimore, a native of North Carolina, who had offered to erect at Chapel Hill, in the State, a Masonic Temple, as a memorial to his father and mother, and to convey the property directly to Grand Lodge. The building is to be a beautiful one, wherein Grand Lodge can meet if it so desires, and is to be equipped with a library. In the building he wishes to place the bodies of his parents. The gift was accepted by the Grand Master in the name of the Grand Lodge.

Attention was called to a suggestion made by Brother Thomas H. Hall that there should be built in some suitable place, in the mountains of North Carolina, a Masonic resort, where lecturers can at a moderate cost teach those who wish to learn, and where the families of Masons can find recreation at the least possible expense. The members of a committee appointed to consider this suggestion were unable to agree upon a recommendation, and left the matter to Grand Lodge. No further action was apparently taken.

Brother The Hon. Geo. V. Cowper, of Kingston, Grand Orator, eloquently addressed the Grand Lodge on "Present World-conditions and the Duty of Masonry."

A special memorial of Past Grand Master William Ruffin Cox, who died on the 20th December, 1919, was presented. He was born in North Carolina, in 1832;

was called to the Bar of the State of Tennessee in 1852, and practised 5 years in Nashville. Before the civil war broke out, he had returned to North Carolina and became a planter. He entered the army as a Major, rose to the rank of Brigadier-General, and commanded the brigade which made the last charge at Appomattox. After the war, he practised law in Raleigh, became a Judge, afterwards a Congressman, and, as his memorialist says, "sounded all the depths and shoals of honour." His last years were spent in Richmond, Virginia, where he died. His Masonic career extended over 50 years; he was Grand Master of North Carolina from 1878 to 1880. A very distinguished man and apparently a typical Southern soldier and gentleman.

There are 450 active Lodges in the State, with a total membership of 30,912; the net gain during the year ending on the 30th June, 1919, was 1,758.

James C. Braswell, who was elected Grand Master for 1920, was, by reason of illness, not present to be installed. We find a portrait and brief biography in the front of the volume of proceedings. Like nearly all Grand Masters, he was born on a farm. It was a North Carolina farm, and 1859 was the year. He is a practising physician in Whitakers, and a keen Mason, a Past Grand High Priest of the North Carolina Grand Chapter.

Dr. James C. Braswell, Whitakers, N.C., Grand Master.

William W. Willson, Raleigh, N.C., Grand Secretary.

### **NORTH DAKOTA.**

The territory is a large one; and no doubt the Lodges are scattered, and some of them weak. There were at the end of 1919 no less than 120 Lodges, 3 of them under dispensation, while the total membership was 12,325, showing a net gain of 715 for the last 8 months of the year. The Grand Secretary's figures are based on that short period by reason of a change made at the meeting of 1919. The financial year, it



was then decided, should in future be the calendar year; and, in order to effectuate the change, the period from the end of April to the end of December, 1919, had, for once only, to represent a year. The gain was, in these circumstances, a substantial one. The Grand Secretary, Brother Walter L. Stockwell, is a man of light and leading; his report is full of good Masonic information and comment.

The 31st Annual Communication was held at Fargo on the 15th, 16th, and 17th June, 1920, and the proceedings thereat were very interesting

The presiding officer, Amil P. Lenhart, Grand Master, is portrayed for us by the aid of the camera and in a biographical sketch from the pen of the indefatigable Grand Secretary. Brother Lenhart's parents, quoth the biographer, "are of that sturdy Teutonic stock which has given to America so many excellent and enduring qualities." The Grand Master is not yet 50, having been born in 1873, in Wisconsin. He followed first the calling or profession of a pharmacist, in which he prospered, and later became a banker and also a farmer. He is described as a good citizen and a reliable man of affairs. His home and business are in Bismarck, and he is a member of all the Masonic bodies there.

His address was remarkable for a number of progressive recommendations, most of which were adopted. One we specially single out for mention, as it has an interest for members of our own Grand Lodge. It involved an amendment to the constitution of Grand Lodge, which was proposed, endorsed by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Master prefaced the recommendation with this very clear statement:—

"Under our present constitutional provision, the constituent Lodges are represented in Grand Lodge by the Master and Wardens, but usually only one of these attends, and in case it be the Master, who probably serves for one year only, there is ordinarily a change in the Grand Lodge representation every year, and as a result the great body of representatives are

inexperienced in Grand Lodge procedure. This does not make for the strength or efficiency of the Grand Lodge. In many Grand Lodges the Past Masters, so long as they retain membership in constituent Lodges, are members of the Grand Lodge. This furnishes a body of experienced men who are neither Grand Officers, Committeemen, nor Past Grand Officers."

The Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) has, we believe, from the first, recognised Past Masters as members, and does so now; nevertheless, as an astute observer remarked at our last Annual Communication, the general body is different each year. Not many Past Masters become regular attendants. They drop out soon after they have left the chair. A sufficient number do attend, however, to leaven the lump with a rather small body of experienced men who are neither Committeemen nor Grand Lodge Officers—probably a majority of the regular attendants are Past Grand Lodge Officers, or expectant Grand Lodge Officers; but every year there is a large infusion of new men who do not stick. If the experience of North Dakota should be the same as ours, their Grand Lodge will at least gain some advantage from the change, which was made by the addition to the Constitution of a clause adding to the membership of Grand Lodge "all Past Masters of constituent Lodges in person, so long as they are residents of North Dakota, and remain in good standing in the Lodges in which they hold membership."

The Grand Lodge at this meeting renewed its expressions of confidence in and loyalty to the Masonic Service Association and the George Washington National Memorial Association, for which latter a fairly large sum, upwards of \$5,000, had been raised

Past Grand Master Grant S. Hager, writer of the Fraternal Correspondence Report, read in Grand Lodge the introduction to his review, dealing chiefly with the Masonic Service Association. The review (his third annual) he did not read, but merely presented. It is printed in the appendix. We noted a year ago that he seemed to confine himself to the Grand

Lodges of the United States; but this year he has included some of the Canadian Grand Lodges—not our own. We are not informed of the principle of selection. The review is an excellent piece of work. We are sorry to be out of it, and hope that Brother Hager will relent next year and let us in.

Allan V. Haig, Devils Lake, Grand Master.

Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

### NOVA SCOTIA.

George Dewar MacDougall, Grand Master, presided at the 55th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, held at Yarmouth, on the 9th and 10th July, 1920. His portrait reveals a man in the prime of life, a man of intellect and strong will, fitted to be a ruler of the Craft.

The session began at 10 a.m. on the 9th July, and after routine business the Brethren repaired to Holy Trinity Church, where Divine service was held at 11 and a sermon was preached by the Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. Wilfred Bradbury. The sermon is printed with the proceedings.

At the afternoon session the Grand Master delivered his address, in which he said a good deal about the Freemasons' Home and its endowment fund, expressing his anxious desire that the latter should be increased.

He said that the general state of the affairs of the Craft was such as to encourage the feeling that the outlook was more hopeful than ever before.

The Grand Secretary's statistics showed that there were 75 chartered Lodges and 2 under dispensation; that there had been 835 initiations during the year 1919-20; that the membership had reached the grand total of 8,133; and that the net gain for the year had been 678. The receipts for the year were more than \$2,000 in excess of those of the previous year.

The resuscitation of two dormant Lodges was reported.

The Grand Historian, M. W. Bro. Don F. Fraser, said that he had nothing to report, as practically all historical work was taken care of by the Nova Scotia Lodge of Research. There was a report from the Lodge of Research, which stated, among other things, that the design of the promoters was the establishment of an agency for the writing, during the next 10 or 15 years, of the history of the Craft in this Jurisdiction. It appeared that 3 volumes of transactions had been printed, and that there was material for a fourth; that 4,500 or more documents had been rearranged and classified so as to be of use to Masonic students; and that several papers on historical subjects had been read and others were in course of preparation.

The sum of \$3,000 was transferred from the Grand Lodge funds to the Masonic Home.

Brother MacDougall was re-elected Grand Master.

The "Report of Correspondence" is by the Grand Secretary, Brother James C. Jones—an excellent review. We quote the brief introduction:—

"I have much pleasure in presenting this my 6th review of the proceedings of sister Jurisdictions. To my personal friends who have assisted me in preparing this report I extend my warmest thanks.

"Freemasonry the world over during the past year or two has been making wonderful progress, and the time is now opportune when she can play a greater part than ever in helping to bring the world back to normal conditions. It is the only platform where Labour and Capital, Employer and Employee, and Religions of all sorts, can meet on the level, and we should endeavour, each and every member of the Craft, to do his share towards bringing order out of chaos and show to the profane that we are not Freemasons in name only. Arise, wake up, my brother, and take full advantage of your opportunity.

"I trust something in the following pages may be found of interest to any who peruse them."

The last sentence perhaps hints at a doubt whether there are many readers of these reviews. Many reviewers, we believe, share the doubt. They read the reviews themselves; but the reviews are not primarily intended for the brother reviewers. Occasionally the reviewer learns that he has had an attentive reader in some member of his own Grand Lodge, or it may be some Mason who has not taken his place in Grand Lodge. It is manifest that even the poorest review will afford a good deal of information about Masonry; but how many are there who have a thirst for such information?

Brother Jones dealt appreciatively with the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) at its Communication in July, 1919 (Toronto), and is quite enthusiastic over the Report on the Condition of Masonry (Brother Ponton).

We have derived a good deal of pleasure from the reading of the Nova Scotia proceedings, which are very well arranged, printed, and indexed.

George Dewar MacDougall, New Glasgow, Grand Master.

James C. Jones, Halifax, Grand Secretary.

## OHIO.

On taking up the volume of proceedings for 1920, we turned first to the statistics to see if the wondrous growth had continued. A year ago we found 560 constituent Lodges under the sway of Grand Lodge—this year we find 576. The aggregate membership has increased from 132,053 to 148,480. The net gain recorded a year ago was 9,710—this year 16,427, in spite of 1,684 deaths, 2,094 withdrawals, and 747 suspensions. Curiously enough, the affiliations just a little more than balanced the withdrawals. This shows the flux of population in a great State like Ohio; and the suspensions are relatively few. Some of the Lodges must have been very busy during the year with the conferring of so many degrees; but the Grand Master, in his address to Grand Lodge, said, "with the utmost earnestness, that throughout our great



Jurisdiction the standard of Lodge efficiency is so uniformly high that I can, from personal knowledge, be assured that the work on all these initiates is most consistently done with every care for the integrity of the Ancient Landmarks of our Institution." And he knew whereof he spoke, for he visited during his year of office a very large number of the Lodges.

That Grand Master was Matthew Smith, of Cleveland, and the Communication over which he presided on the 20th and 21st October, 1920, in Columbus, was the 111th Annual of the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

Perhaps the most interesting part of his address was that in which he spoke of the distinguished dead in the Ohio Jurisdictions.

The first mentioned was Brother C. L. V. Holtz, who died at Newark, Ohio, in April, 1920. He was born in Ohio in 1864, was first a schoolmaster, then county treasurer, and at and for some years before his death secretary of a banking and trust company in Newark. He served his Lodge in Newark as Master for 9 years, and was a District Lecturer at the time of his death. He was a director and treasurer of the Newark Masonic Temple Company, and *devised his beautiful home and its acre of grounds to the Masonic Bodies of Newark after the death of his wife*, An excellent example surely!

John Grayhill Reeves was Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, a devoted student of Freemasonry, and very active in the Craft. He was at the head of a committee which brought out vols. 2 and 3 of a history of the Grand Lodge from 1845 to 1912 inclusive.

All the others mentioned were remarkable for the same essential things—services rendered to their Brethren.

None of them was a Past Grand Master, and indeed it is a remarkable thing that the Ohio line of Past Grand Masters has not been broken for 28 years—no, that is not quite correct, but the eminent Craftsmen who have filled the great office of Grand Master

during the past 28 years are all alive, and there is a portrait of them "in unbroken line," with the latest one, Matthew Smith, peeping over the shoulders of his Elder Brethren, to prove it. This portrait is a feature of each year's proceedings—*esto perpetua*,

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence reported against a proposal to limit the number of candidates who can receive degrees at any one meeting and the number of Lodge meetings for work that may be held in any one year, and the report was sustained by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master said that, "through the splendid benevolence of our late Brother Ralph Rickby," the building fund of the Ohio Masonic Home had been so increased as to permit planning along broader lines than might otherwise have seemed justified, and in acknowledgment of those gifts the trustees had decided to call the new building "The Rickby Memorial."

On the 5th September, 1920, memorial services were held at the grave of Samuel Huntington, in Evergreen Cemetery, Painesville, Ohio. This great man was born in Connecticut and spent his early life there. He moved to Ohio, where he practised law, became a Judge, and afterwards Governor of the State. He was the first installed Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, holding office in 1809, while Governor. His death took place in 1917.

Grand Secretary J. H. Bromwell's service has been a long one—32 years.

The proposal that the Grand Lodge should assume membership in the Roosevelt Memorial Association was negatived.

Past Grand Master O. P. Sperra is depicted in the unbroken line of 28 Past Grand Masters. We found it interesting to pick him out in the second row and to find that in appearance he bears a strong resemblance to his unworthy *confrère* of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario). He produces, as was to be expected, an excellent Report on Foreign Correspondence; adopting the orthodox style, he takes

up the Grand Chapters one by one—not exactly in alphabetical order, but nearly so. He begins, for instance, with Arkansas and then goes to Alabama. The sheep and goats are divided, but Canada (in Ontario) has crept into the sheepfold. The division is into United States Jurisdictions and Foreign (which really means British) Jurisdictions; but the review of our Grand Lodge has been placed among the United States reviews, while British Columbia, Quebec, Nova Scotia, etc., are to be found under “Foreign.” We are afraid this was done by accident, rather than design. It would be pleasant to think it was intended as an additional compliment—we say “additional” because Brother Sperra’s remarks about our Grand Lodge are quite flattering. It is the meeting in Toronto in July, 1919, of which he writes

We give “the conclusion” of the report or review, in Brother Sperra’s own words, merely remarking that he appears to ignore his experience as a reviewer of Grand Chapter proceedings:—

“Well! We are here for the first time. We have gone the circuit, learned more concerning Masonry and Masonic conditions than we supposed we should ever know. Have been edified with Masonic eloquence, logic, and axiom. Have thereby been shown our own shortcomings, and with it all have tried to write a review of what we have seen and read. Work of this character, if one pursues a course of independent thought, will only improve with experience, and that requires a large amount of studious labour. However, we have submitted this and hope for that degree of consideration Confucius taught.”

The Grand Master elected and installed at this Communication was John Rouzer Flotron, a business man of Dayton. He was born in 1871, and is still in the full vigour of manhood. He should have a shining career as Grand Master, for he has had great experience in public life as well as in Masonry, and, as his portrait indicates, has the gift of language. He was Grand Orator in 1916.

John R. Flotron, Dayton, Grand Master.

J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Grand Secretary.

**OKLAHOMA.**

The 12th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma was also the 28th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory and the 37th of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory. Read the riddle if you can.

The trinitarian meeting was held in Guthrie on the 24th, 25th, and 26th February, 1920. Grand Master O. Lonzo Conner, of whom we had something to say a year ago, was ill during the time of the Communication, and made only one short appearance in Grand Lodge. Deputy Grand Master Frank Alvin Derr presided and read the address which had been prepared by the Grand Master.

Feeling references were made to the deaths of Martimer F. Stilwell, Past Grand Master; Otto A. Shuttee, Treasurer of the Masonic Home; and John Coyle, who was Grand Master of Indian Territory from August, 1894, to August, 1896. He had attained a great age, having been born in Scotland in 1834.

The Grand Master was much impressed with the need and importance of the Masonic Service Association of the United States; he said that he and the Grand Secretary had attended the first annual meeting in November, 1919; and this Grand Lodge had paid its first assessment of \$295.20 to the association.

Speaking of the Masonic Home, which is at Darlington, the Grand Master said:—

“The Board of Control will ask at this session for an appropriation to build a separate Home for the old people at or near El Reno, Oklahoma. They are unanimously agreed, and I concur with them, that the children and old folks should be separated as early as practicable.

“We are also badly in need of better hospital facilities for the Home family, and I therefore recommend that the sum of \$100,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated to erect a suitable building for the old folks of the Masonic Home and

that provision be made in said building for adequate hospital facilities."

It seemed to us, on a first reading of these paragraphs, that the Grand Master was "no blate," as they say in Scotland; and indeed the "appropriations" do not seem to have been made at this meeting. The proposals were complicated by a suggestion that the Masonic Home should be removed to Guthrie; and, after a great deal of discussion, no action was taken beyond a reference of the question of removal to the constituent Lodges.

There appear to be 438 constituent Lodges in the Jurisdiction; the membership on the 1st January, 1920, was 40,545; and the net gain for 1919 was 4,345.

The Foreign Correspondent and Review-writer, M. W. Brother Hhomas Chauncey Humphry has a way of enlivening the proceedings. In presenting his report to Grand Lodge he said: "The report will, I presume, be published. . . . and I urge you, Brethren, to get a copy of the proceedings and read it. It will be the best thing in the proceedings. There is no controversy about that because I will admit that without any question."

We find the report in the appendix. It has only one fault—it omits all mention of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario), although it includes notices of the proceedings of other Canadian Grand Lodges; 48 sets of proceedings are reviewed with great care and discrimination. In his "conclusion" Brother Humphry takes up the question of French Masonry and opines that the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma can well afford to defer recognition of the Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Orient. "We believe, he says, "the time will come when the Grand Lodges in the United States and Canada will see a change made in France that will remove the obstacle which now exists."

In regard to physical qualification, "the Oklahoma Scribe believes that a candidate able to support himself, a man of good character, one who could prove



himself if made a Mason, should not be excluded; it should be left to the Lodge where the application is made to pass upon the candidate's fitness for the degrees. It was well said by some writer that to refuse the petitioner because of injuries received in the service of the country would in effect be a punishment for his service."

Frank Alvin Derr, who presided as Deputy Grand Master at this Communication, was elected and installed as Grand Master for the ensuing 12 months. His portrait and a brief biography are found in the volume of proceedings. He was born in Kansas in 1874. We are not told what his business is. His Masonic career has been an active and useful one, and great things may be expected of him as Grand Master.

Frank Alvin Derr, Guthrie, Grand Master.

William M. Anderson, Oklahoma City, Grand Secretary.

### OREGON.

Earl Clapp Bronaugh, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oregon for 1919-1920, was born in Cross County, Arkansas, in 1866, but was brought in infancy to Portland, Oregon, where he still lives. That is nearly all that we are told about him, and even his Masonic record is somewhat skimmed in what is called a "biography" set opposite his portrait in the volume of proceedings for his year of office. He is depicted—an unusual thing—at full length, wearing a "topper" and with his apron outside of his frock-coat, in true Masonic fashion. He it was who presided at the 70th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, which was opened in the auditorium of the Knights of Pythias building in Portland, on the 16th June, 1920, and continued for three days.

No doubt, the practice of having the proceedings minuted by a shorthand writer has its advantages, but we think, with deference, that the Grand Secretary should exercise a wise discretion as to what parts of the record are to go into print. In this case some rather feeble and senile jocularities were preserved, which are distinctly not worth while.

The great event of this meeting was the laying of the foundation-stone of the new Masonic Home, in which, to the credit of the Oregon Brethren, they are profoundly interested.

The Grand Master in his address said that the year just closing had been one of unparalleled activity in Masonry. The membership showed a 10 per cent. increase on the 1st January, 1920, and the ratio had probably been still greater since that date. "Danger lurks in this feverish activity. The ceaseless round of degree work is leaving no time or opportunity for the greater things of Masonry. Can we properly assimilate this sudden accession to our numbers? And how are we going to do it? May the time speedily come when we shall settle down to a normal basis and have time to consider the beauties of speculative Masonry."

As to the Home, the Grand Master made the following announcement:—

"Since our last Annual Communication the title of the Masonic Home site has been acquired by the Grand Lodge; plans for a suitable building as the first unit of the Home have been perfected and adopted by the Masonic Home Committee; contracts for the erection of the building have been entered into; and it is with much pleasure that I record the fact that work has actually been commenced on the foundation for the building, and the Home Committee has arranged for the laying of the corner-stone on this the first day of the 70th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge"

The money-question was at once brought upon the carpet, the Most Worshipful saying:

"The Committee found that the actual cost would be vastly greater than any of the earlier conjectures, and that it would require the raising of a fund of \$200,000, in addition to funds already in hand, to carry out the plans. A campaign has been launched, therefore, for the purpose of raising such a fund."

The Grand Master was not daunted, although the results of the campaign had so far not been very encouraging. "It surely is not a formidable undertaking," said he, "to raise \$200,000 among more than 18,000 Masons. . . . For the honour of Masonry we must succeed."

It seemed to be settled, but not formally settled, that the Home was to be not entirely a Masonic Home, but a Masonic and Eastern Star Home, and there is a great deal in the proceedings about the Order of the Eastern Star. A meeting of that society was apparently being held at the same time as the session of Grand Lodge, and visits of delegates were interchanged and compliments flowed freely. The Grand Chaplain, Brother J. R. N. Bell, who had served Grand Lodge in that office, it was said, for 44 years, was much at the front in these parleyings, and it appears to us that the proceedings in this regard were beneath the dignity of Masonry.

Grand Secretary James F. Robinson submitted his 26th Annual Report in excellent form. His statistics show the 149 Lodges, total membership 18,170, and net gain in a year 1,563.

We have a strong conviction that the solid Masons of Oregon will raise the \$200,000 and complete the Home; and, although we do not sympathise with the recognition or quasi-recognition of the Eastern Star Order as in any sense Masonic, we see no reason why the wives and daughters of Masons should not participate in the good work of creating and supporting a Masonic Home.

David P. Mason, a reviewer of decided ability, presented the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. When he comes in the courses of his regular journey round the world to "Canada, 1919," he begins:—

"The frontispiece shows us the strong, fine face of the incoming Grand Master, M. W. Brother F. W. Harcourt. Looking at him one does not wonder at

the way the Canadians held their ground and fought to the uttermost."

And our other present-day asset of value is not forgotten: "The Report on the Condition of Masonry by William Nisbet Ponton is certainly worth while," he says, and quotes from it extensively.

William J. Kerr, Corvallis, Oregon, Grand Master.

James F. Robinson, 415 Yeon Building, Portland, Grand Secretary.

### PENNSYLVANIA.

The proceedings for 1919 are before us—those of 1920 have not yet come to hand. A year ago we had no report of Pennsylvania, but our predecessor in 1919 reviewed the proceedings of 1918; so that really nothing has escaped us.

The title of the volume is "Abstract of the Proceedings of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction thereunto Belonging, being Extracts from the Minutes of its Quarterly and Annual Grand Communications during the Year A.D. 1919—A.L. 5919."

"Right Worshipful," it will be observed, not "Most Worshipful," and so with the Grand Master, who is "The Right Worshipful Grand Master."

The Masonic year is the calendar year, and it would be well if it were so in all Grand Lodges.

James B. Krause was the Right Worshipful Grand Master for 1919, and for 1918 also.

At the Quarterly Communication of the 5th March, 1919, the Grand Master announced the death on the 31st January at Harrisburg, of Brother William Luther Gorgas, Past Grand Master. He was born in 1848, in Pennsylvania, was a public-spirited business man and citizen of Harrisburg, and was Grand Master in 1912 and 1913.

Two bequests of substantial sums for the benefit of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown were announced. The two benefactors were members of the same Lodge—Apollo, No. 386—and both died in January, 1919. There are references in the proceedings to many other bequests to the Homes.

In the record of the Quarterly Communication of the 4th June, we find a report of the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys—the orphan children of Master Masons. Brother Patton died in 1907. His direction was that the Institution should not be established until at least 12 years after his death. The time for a commencement had thus arrived, and it was announced that the fund bequeathed, \$783,964.39, had increased to \$1,285,660.30. The trustees were engaged in preparing a scheme and hoped to be able to report to the September Quarterly Communication. There is in the proceedings no further allusion to the subject until we come to the Annual Communication on St. John the Evangelist's Day, and find it referred to in the Grand Master's address. He said that the trustees had appointed a committee to formulate a plan which would carry out ideas tentatively agreed upon. The Institution will probably be housed in the spacious grounds of the Elizabethtown Homes. This is only one of many charitable activities in which Grand Lodge is concerned.

The Quarterly Communication held on the 3rd September was marked by a visit and an address (described as "very interesting and pleasing") from Brother William F. Kuhn, Past Grand Master of Missouri.

At this Communication the Grand Secretary presented his annual report of the membership and number of Lodges in the Jurisdiction for the year ending on the 27th December, 1918; but we find in the appendix a later report (subject to correction) giving the figures up to the 27th December, 1919, as follows: number of Lodges, 513; membership, 151,434; increase during 1919, 14,821.



Everything in Pennsylvania is on a large scale. We are afraid to mention the finances—the figures are stupendous.

A Special Communication was held on the 28th October, 1919, for the funeral of Past Grand Master Brother Joseph Henry Williams, who died on the 24th October, 1919, in Philadelphia. This distinguished Craftsman was born in England in 1856. A year later his parents brought him to Philadelphia, where his life was lived. He was called to the Bar of Philadelphia County in 1877, and practised there with great success until 1916, when he was made an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, and so continued until his death. Masonry was with him a consuming passion. He was Grand Master in 1914 and 1915. In his death Pennsylvania lost one of her foremost sons and Freemasonry one of its brightest lights.

The annual elections were held and the multitudinous accounts presented at the last Quarterly Communication, held on the 3rd December, 1919. Reports of various committees were also received.

All these meetings, as well as the Annual Communication, were held in Philadelphia, and at all of them Grand Master Krause presided.

In his address at the Annual Communication (27th December, 1919) the Grand Master alluded to a subject which we always find interesting and upon which we wish to afford our Brethren in Ontario some light. We quote:—

“Notwithstanding decisions of Grand Masters that Masonic halls and Lodge-rooms cannot be used for meetings of a society known as the Eastern Star, numerous requests have been made during the past year to permit meetings of such society in such halls and rooms, which were in every instance refused.

“Masonry can have no quarrel with those who are near and dear to it by tender ties, nor with their right to organise as they may deem meet, but they cannot thereby knock at the door of Masonry for recognition, sanction, or approval. The Lodges, or

those acting for them, cannot do by indirection that which is expressly prohibited. Those of our Brethren who encourage this organisation, directly or indirectly, to engraft itself upon Freemasonry, are guilty of aiding and abetting an innovation upon the body of Freemasonry.

"We have spoken at length upon this matter because of the unusual activities of this organisation in Pennsylvania at this time."

Among official acts of the Grand Master we find this recorded:—

"Suspended the function of one who, while in position of trust under Grand Lodge, so far forgot himself and his duty to the Craft as to be guilty of using Masonry to advance his political ambition."

In our view, these are absolutely sound and sane positions.

This Grand Lodge is to be ranked among the firm supporters of the Masonic Service Association of the United States and the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association. Pennsylvania is very strong for the preservation of the "ancient sovereign rights and prerogatives" of Grand Lodges, but sees no danger of their invasion by these nationwide associations.

Equally wise and sane and remarkably apt are the concluding words of the address:—

"Never before in the history of Grand Lodge have so many good and true fellows presented themselves at the portals of Freemasonry for admission. The Lodges cheerfully met the emergency, and we believe that the mintage has been of pure gold without dangerous assail. We have grown stronger numerically, influentially, and financially. We realise more than ever that the strength and permanence of the Fraternity cannot be maintained by numbers, if our purpose is not primarily that of laying the foundations of truer and nobler manhood, and the sacrificial service of humankind. Perhaps our greatest obliga-

tion is to protect the Fraternity from the unworthy, and especially those who are unmindful of their duty to God and humanity, and cannot or do not understand what true citizenship and fellowship mean.

"Let me admonish you to see to it that the doors to your Lodges do not swing inward too easily.

"Let Masonry continue to be a beneficent, unambitious, and disinterested guide, with an abiding faith in humanity and hope for the future of the world. May we in loving kindness press ever onward in the great cause of universal truth and righteousness, to be quick to shatter idols that hold men's souls in bondage, ever mindful of our individual responsibility to Almighty God, and that 'in His Court of High Chancery the rules of right and not might will be strictly enforced against those who have taken unjustly wealth, rank, influence, reputation, or affection.' "

"Canada, 1919," is among the Grand Lodges noticed in the Report of the Committee on Correspondence for 1919. The report is signed by Thomas F. Penman, Chairman, and four other Committeemen.

It is an excellently well-prepared and thorough review, measuring well up to and beyond the modest standard held aloft in the introduction:—

"In the following pages will be found the annual report of your Committee on Correspondence. Proceedings of 63 Grand Lodges, with which we are in fraternal communication, have come under our notice, as scheduled below. We have given particular attention to topics of common interest to the Fraternity, as they appeared to the minds of recognised Masonic leaders in the several Grand Jurisdictions, and have noted the discussion and disposition of the same. Among them are: the war and its effects upon Masonry and society generally, both before and after the Armistice; the phenomenal growth of the Fraternity; activities of the Craft in various forms of Masonic relief and charity; the Masonic Service Association of the United States; and recognition of so-called 'French

Masonry' To bring them more clearly to the understanding of our readers we have to some extent excerpted the language of the Brethren who discussed them as officers or committees. We hope that our readers may find something herein to add to their store of Masonic knowledge and be informed concerning movements in recognised fields of Masonic endeavour."

We notice under "Canada, 1919," that Toronto's perpetual Mayor is dignified with the title of "His Excellency." Perhaps that would more rightly pertain to the Mayor of the City of Ottawa, where Grand Lodge meets this year. The review of our 1919 proceedings is generous in other ways. Brother Ponton's remarks on the potential influence of Masonry upon the body politic are quoted with approval.

John S. Sell, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Master.

John A. Perry, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Secretary.

### PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

It is pleasant to read of the progress of Masonry in these Islands. It may be said perhaps that Masonry has a special and peculiar message to the people there. The noble science and royal art may prove of great aid in welding together the diverse elements of the population.

In November, 1919, George R. Harvey, a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, represented that Grand Jurisdiction at the first triennial meeting of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, in Cedar Rapids, and made an address from which we quote these pregnant paragraphs:—

"Little more than 21 years ago it was practically a crime to be a Mason in the Philippine Islands. A Mason's life was constantly in danger. It was worth his life to be found with a Masonic apron in his possession.

"Less than 23 years ago Dr. José Rizal, an eminent Filipino scholar and Mason, was given the mere form of a military trial, condemned to death, and taken down to Bagumbayan Field, placed upon the plaza before the public, and shot to death by a firing squad. Why? Because he was a Mason and dared to oppose the Spaniards

"But times have changed, Brethren. With the American occupation of the Philippine Islands there were some not afraid to be known as Masons. Masonry, as we know it here, was first firmly established there under the Grand Lodge of California, and we are proud of being the children of that distinguished Jurisdiction.

"We had difficulties to contend with in the beginning, but we have mastered the difficulties and we are standing on the level and working by the plumb for the establishment of the ideals of Freemasonry in the Philippine Islands.

"The Filipino people crave freedom of conscience and freedom of thought. They aspire to nobler and higher ideals than they have ever been permitted to enjoy; and they are to-day in large numbers looking to Masonry for their ideals. They are attracted by the philosophy and morality of our great Fraternity; and to-day many of the leading men of that country are enthusiastic, working Masons. I do not need to call their names or tell you of their official position or their social standing; but I can say that the leading men in official life, in the social life, and in the commercial life of the Philippine Islands are members of this great Fraternity."

This was quoted by Grand Master Milton Earle Springer in his address at the 8th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, held in the Masonic Temple, Manila, on the 27th, 28th, and 29th January, 1920.

The record of the proceedings begins thus:—

"Promptly at 4 p.m. the Grand Lodge officers marched into the Grand Lodge Hall to the strains of



martial music and when the Grand Master arrived at the Oriental Chair the Quartette sang:—

“Hail, Grand Master! Hail, Grand Wardens!  
Hail, Grand Officers, Good Cheer!  
See the Brethren stand to greet you,  
You will find a welcome here.”

The first order of business was an address of welcome by His Excellency the Governor-General of the Philippine Islands, Brother Francis Burton Harrison, who in a brilliant address, speaking in both English and Spanish, gave a hearty welcome to the members of the Grand Lodge, particularly to those from outside of Manila

The Honourable Manuel L. Quezon, President of the Senate, and a Past Grand Master, made a fitting response to the address of the Governor-General

His Excellency then invited the members of the Grand Lodge to an informal luncheon at Malacanang Palace on the 1st February. The invitation was accepted by a rising vote of thanks.

Masonry was introduced into the Islands in 1875, and its early history, before the formation of the Grand Lodge a few years ago, is **naturally full of interest**. Care is being taken to record that history. At this Communication, W. Bro. Manuel Artigas y Cuervas presented to Grand Lodge the basis of a Masonic history, which he called a “Masonic Directory,” prepared by him under Grand Lodge authority during the few months preceding this Communication. This is most satisfactory, for work can be better done now than at a later period when the recollection of living persons will not be available.

The Grand Master’s address was a magnificent effort. We cull two passages from the introduction:—

“Freemasonry seeks no man. Its honours and benefits are never to be peddled. It is not a universal brotherhood in that it is not designed for every man. There must be a fitness for Masonic honour. Masonry seeks to produce those conditions which will finally

bring about universal brotherhood, but in order to reach this ultimate end, it must be scrupulously guarded against the introduction of unworthy members and indolent workmen. Quality of our membership, and not Quantity, is the true estimate of our strength."

"There is no place in our Mystic Circle for the intemperate, the untruthful, the licentious, or the profane. Our Order must not be tainted by such membership. The world has naught to do with our secrets, but it has much to do with our conduct. True Masonry is progressive. The emblems of our Order have been the accompaniments of a broad humanity, of generous sacrifice, and of heroic achievement. Battling on the blue waters of the Bay of Salamis, contending in the twilight threatened valley, where the sun stood still for the victorious Joshua, maintaining the rockribbed walls of Acre and Jerusalem, enduring amidst the blood-bespattered snows of Valley Forge, defending their banners under the tropical sun of these sunkissed Islands, everywhere that liberty has had a sacrifice or a triumph, our heroic Brethren have written their deeds in fadeless glory."

The Grand Master said that he had visited 47 of the Lodges in the Islands during the year, and was "agreeably astonished at the keen interest displayed by the members of the Fraternity everywhere"—they showed themselves eager to learn the deeper principles of the science. The following words of the eloquent Grand Ruler have a bearing upon the special mission of Masonry in this far-eastern territory:—

"Freemasonry to-day, as never before, requires and demands strong men, men of action, men of character, men who are ready to live and act according to the teachings of the Craft, men willing to sacrifice their personal ambitions for the betterment of Freemasonry in these Islands, and who would scorn to use Freemasonry to further their own selfish political desires. If men of this kind continue to lead Freemasonry, it will be but a few years until all superstition, false principles and doctrines preached throughout these Islands, will be wiped away and a broad, sympathetic, human Brotherhood prevail."

Steps were taken towards the realisation of the project for a Masonic Home and a School for the Children of the Fraternity.

There are 55 Lodges in the Jurisdiction, with an aggregate membership of 4,107, and the net gain during 1919 was 564.

The Grand Lodge and the Grand Orient of France were recognised, and an exchange of representatives was requested. The assumption of membership in the Masonic Service Association of the United States was authorised.

A great deal of business was done in three days of the session, and many subjects were discussed. Apparently perfect harmony prevailed, and we find in the record allusions to luncheons and dinners, which are always useful in bringing about friendly intercourse and a good understanding. The attendance was large.

The Committee on Correspondence produced reviews of the proceedings of 34 Grand Lodges. We do not know whether the printed proceedings of our own Grand Lodge, Canada in Ontario, are sent to Manila, but there is no review of them in 1920, nor was there in 1919—which we regret. The reviews are written by George R. Harvey, P.G.M., William A. Weidmann, and William H. Taylor, P.G.M., and are in every way excellent.

The new Grand Master elected and installed at this Communication is Rafael Palma. We are not informed of his personal history, but we have his portrait and a brief address made by him after his installation, from which we augur a successful administration. We are now writing in May, 1921, but the Philippine record of 1920 is not yet to hand.

Rafael Palma, Manila, Grand Master.

Newton C. Comfort, Manila, Grand Secretary.

**PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.**

The Most Worshipped Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Prince Edward Island, composed of the Grand Officers, Representatives of Constituent Lodges, and Past Masters, convened in the Masonic Temple at Charlottetown in the forenoon of Wednesday the 25th June, 1920, for the purpose of holding their 45th Annual Communication.

The Reverend James MacDougall, Grand Master, of whom we gave a description a year ago, presided in the Grand East. His address was an eloquent one. He spoke of the war, the peace, the League of Nations, and the meaning and influence of Masonry. Passing on to a review of his year of office, he said that he had visited all the Lodges in the Jurisdiction, with pleasure and profit. The general condition of the Craft was satisfactory and encouraging. There had been an increase of 41 in membership; and, still better, the names recently added to the roll were those of some of the best citizens in the Province.

There are 15 Lodges in the Jurisdiction, and the total membership in 1920 was 970.

William S. Stewart was at this meeting elected Grand Master for the ensuing 12 months, and duly installed in his great office. We have before us his portrait and a brief biography. He was born at Marshfield, Prince Edward Island, in 1855. He went to McGill University, Montreal, where in 1878 he took his Bachelor's degree with first-class honours in classics and the Chapman gold medal. He was called to the Bar of Prince Edward Island in 1882, practised law in that Province, and was in 1914 appointed a County Court Judge and in 1917 Local Judge in Admiralty. He is evidently a man of parts, who will leave his impress upon Masonry in his own Province.

There is no correspondence report.

The Hon. W. S. Stewart, Charlottetown, Grand Master.

E. T. Carbonell, P.O. Box 104, Charlottetown, Grand Secretary.

## QUEBEC.

In the volume of proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Quebec for 1920, we find also the minutes of an Especial Communication held on the 31st October, 1919, in the Windsor Hall, Montreal, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the institution of this Grand Lodge. These minutes are prefaced by the minutes of a Convention of Delegates from the Lodges of the Province of Quebec, held at the "British Masonic Chamber," Montreal, on the 20th and 21st October, 1869. It was at this Convention that the Grand Lodge of Quebec was instituted. Only two of those who were present at the Convention survive, and only one was actually present at the recent Jubilee Celebration—Isaac Henry Stearns, P.G.M., and for 42 years Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge. The other survivor is Curtis P. Taber, who was a District Deputy Grand Master in 1878. Portraits of these venerable Brethren appear in the forefront of the volume.

Grand Master Arthur B. Wood presided at the Especial Communication of October, 1919, and received the following distinguished visitors: Harry G. Noyes, Grand Master of New Hampshire; Charles B. Eddy, Grand Master of Michigan; Frederick Weir Harcourt, Grand Master of Canada in Ontario; D. C. Clark, Grand Master of New Brunswick; D. F. Fraser, Past Grand Master of Nova Scotia; and George D. Ellis, Grand Director of Ceremonies, New Brunswick. The Grand Master made an address which is summarised as follows:—

"He rejoiced that peace had come to a war-worn world and that all civilised nations had the satisfaction of seeing the cause of Justice, Truth, and Honour completely vindicated. He pointed to the happy coincidence of our celebration falling in the year of peace, also to the fact that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales was then sojourning in Montreal, and congratulated the Craft on the admission of H. R. H. to our Brotherhood. He referred to our present position as an evidence of our success and paid a tribute to those Brethren who still survived after 50 years of invaluable service to the Order and who were the founders



of our Grand Lodge. In eloquent terms he welcomed the distinguished Craftsmen who had honoured us by their presence to assist in celebrating this period of our history."

It is said that the visiting Grand Masters present "evoked enthusiasm by their splendid responses and offered the congratulations of their Grand Bodies to this Jurisdiction on attaining the proud position reached after many discouragements."

An historical address by M. W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers followed—a wonderful address, exhibiting learning, research, and mental vigour. It dealt briefly with the early records, the manuscripts of the 14th and 15th centuries; the foundation of the Grand Lodge of England in 1717; and then, "crossing in imagination the Atlantic ocean, about 40 years after that important historic event in English Freemasonry, with some of the regiments then on their way to America to fight under General Wolfe at Louisbourg and Quebec, we find ourselves in the company of Craftsmen who, together with others already under arms in New England, were to be the pioneers of Masonry in what is now the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Quebec." Brother Chambers, on authority duly cited, gives the 28th November, 1759, as the date of "the very first regular Masonic meeting of any kind within the territory over which jurisdiction is exercised by the Grand Lodge of Quebec"—and that he considers to be the date of the election of John Price Guinnett, Lieutenant in His Majesty's 47th regiment, as First Provincial Grand Master of Quebec. This was little over two months from the capitulation of Quebec and less than 11 weeks from the victory and death of Wolfe on the Plains of Abraham.

These matters are really of great interest and deserve fuller mention than we can give them here.

Still more interesting is the period of the formation of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. An agitation for a separate Grand Lodge for the Province of Quebec began immediately after Confederation (1867). This is to some extent still controversial ground, and we

forbear saying more than that the story is frankly and fairly told by Brother Chambers.

The reading of the address was closely followed, and M. W. Bro. Chambers received an ovation at the conclusion.

In the evening the celebration was continued by a ball in the Windsor Hall and a banquet on the following evening at the Windsor Hotel.

The 50th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Montreal on the 11th February, 1920, Grand Master Arthur B. Wood presiding in the Grand East. His address was an able and comprehensive one, covering matters of general as well as merely domestic interest. We extract one passage which contains a timely warning to all Masonic bodies:—

“Our Lodges throughout this Jurisdiction appear to be enjoying an unwonted era of prosperity, but they must be brought to realise that this prosperity is more apparent than real and very likely is of a temporary nature only. The general opinion among those who have given most thought to the subject is that the present period of high prices will be followed by one of great depression with its accompanying hard times. In support of this view we have the experience in the great Republic to the south of us a few years after the close of the civil war. If a similar experience has yet to be faced, as seems very probable, it behooves us both as individuals and as an organisation to heed the warning and prepare in advance by husbanding our resources to the fullest possible extent.”

The Grand Secretary's report showed 66 chartered Lodges and one under dispensation; 10,068 members on the roll on the 31st December, 1919; and a net increase for the year of 818.

A really beautiful address was given by Grand Chaplain W. Harold Young. In it he asked and answered the question, “What is it that our Order in a pecu-

liar way contributes to the life of each Freemason from the first to the last of his Masonic career?"

From the Report of the Committee on the State of Masonry we quote a few words:—

"Never before has Masonry in this Province been more flourishing; all our Lodges are growing with a healthy growth; the officers, in general, are keen, earnest men, imbued with a sense of the high importance and responsibility of their offices; the best young men in our communities are seeking admission to our ranks; and the prospects for the future are bright."

Past Grand Masters E. T. D. Chambers and W. W. Williamson represented Quebec at the Masonic Peace Celebration in old London in June, 1919, and made a full report of the proceedings to Grand Lodge. The report is a masterly document—the best account of the celebration which we have read, and we have read many in the course of examining the proceedings of other Jurisdictions. We cannot forbear quoting one eloquent passage:—

"If, as we esteemed it, it was a very rich privilege, at such a wonderful crisis of the world's history as the signing of its Peace, to be at the heart of the Empire to which even 'Rome in the very height of her glory,' to quote from an American orator, 'is not to be compared—a power which has dotted over the surface of the whole globe with her possessions and military posts, whose morning drumbeat, following the sun, and keeping company with the hours, circles the earth with one continuous and unbroken strain of the martial airs of England'—how much was the privilege enhanced by the fact that we were in the very centre and original home of the World's Masonry as we know and recognise it, and in a company of men and Masons to each and all of whom might be applied the poet's words addressed to them by Motherland Lodge: 'Children brave and free of the great Mother-tongue—and ye shall be Lords of an Empire Wide as Shakespeare's soul, Sublime as Milton's immemorial theme, Rich as Chaucer's speech, and Fair as Spenser's dream'—an Empire of Masonry based upon Righteousness

and Peace, over which the Lord God omnipotent reigneth, and whose supreme law is the Fatherhood of T. G. A. O. T. U. and the Brotherhood of Man."

The veteran reviewer and pillar of Grand Lodge, Past Grand Master E. T. D. Chambers, prefaces his review of the proceedings of other Jurisdictions with some remarks on the chief Masonic topics of the day—the Masonic Peace Celebration, the Masonic Service Association of the United States (unreservedly welcomed and approved by this learned Craftsman), and French Masonry (of which his opinion, adverse to recognition, is well known).

The individual reviews are shorter than usual, by reason, as explained, of the high cost of printing and paper; but a generous space is allotted to a consideration of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) in 1919, with special admiring references to the reports of R. W. Brother Ponton and M. W. Brother Freed.

Arthur B. Wood, Montreal, Grand Master (re-elected).

W. W. Williamson, Montreal, Grand Secretary (re-elected).

### QUEENSLAND.

The Grand Lodge of Queensland was at the time of the proceedings before us still striving for unity. At a Special Communication held in Brisbane on the 22nd August, 1919—the earliest of several meetings during the Masonic year ended in June, 1920, whereof the record is before us—Grand Master James Stodart, after installation and proclamation, made an address in which he said:—

"Brethren, I stand before you again to-night with a proud heart in that you have again, and for the third time, honoured me by placing me in the chair of King Solomon to rule over the destinies of the Craft in Queensland for the ensuing twelve months. It affords me great satisfaction to think that the Great Architect has graciously spared to me in my advancing

years a sufficiency of health and energy to enable me to devote my time in working for the Great Temple, which is our Universal Brotherhood. At times I feel that I should lay down the gavel for a younger and more active man, but before I do so it is the dearest wish of my heart to see the technical differences existing in Masonic circles in Queensland healed, and one united Brotherhood spreading its light throughout our State."

And again:—

"I think I am safe in saying that the union we all so much desire with the Brethren of the English and Scottish Lodges is appreciably nearer, and I trust will speedily eventuate." It has now been accomplished. The proceedings of the Brethren of the English and Scottish Lodges preparatory to forming a union are noted under "England," ante.

The year, he said, had been a prosperous and successful one. Two new Lodges had been consecrated; two new Temples had been dedicated; and everywhere harmony prevailed.

"Since the establishment of Grand Lodge the Benevolent Fund has paid out £2,818 in relief, and is at present assisting 12 aged Masons and widows by regular weekly allowances.

"The Widows, Orphans and Aged Masons Institution has paid out in the 10 years it has been established £1,441 in relief, and is at present keeping 16 orphans by weekly contributions to the mothers."

Stated Communications were held in Brisbane on the 8th September, 1919, the 8th March, 1920, the 7th June, 1920, and the 14th June, 1920. At the last of these Brother Stodart was re-elected Grand Master for 1920-21.

We do not find any formal statement as to the extent of the membership of the 74 Lodges whose



names are given in the little book of proceedings ; and there is no report on correspondence.

James Stodart, Grand Master.

Charles H. Harley, Grand Secretary.

(Addresses not given.)

## RHODE ISLAND.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations during its 129th year are contained in a rather small volume, but are by no means uninteresting or unimportant.

The Semi-Annual Communication was held in Freemasons Hall, Providence, on the 17th November, 1919; the Most Worshipful Grand Master James Cross Collins, of Providence, presiding in the East.

Past Grand Master Wendell R. Davis, Master of Overseas Lodge, No. 1, undersdispensation, presented a report of the origin and work of the Lodge while it was located in Coblenz, Germany. The inception of the Lodge came about through the insistent desire of soldiers in the American Army of occupation in Germany for Masonic light. The dispensation was granted on the 15th March, 1919, by the then Grand Master of Rhode Island Masons, E. Tudor Gross, and was received by the petitioners in Coblenz on the 23rd April, 1919. The first Communication was held on the 24th April, 1919, in the rooms of W. Bro. John M. Capron, the Secretary. The subsequent meetings were in a regular German Lodge-room. The Lodge continued in active operation until the 31st July, 1919, or until American troops had been so completely withdrawn from Germany that its activities in that country seemed no longer feasible. During the short space of time from the 24th April to the 31st July, there were held 80 Communications, 15 regular and 65 special; 551 applications for membership were received; there were 498 initiations, and the subsequent degrees were conferred upon nearly all the initiates; and, in addition,

48 degrees were conferred by courtesy for other Jurisdictions.

The dispensation to Overseas Lodge was, by resolution adopted unanimously, continued until the Annual Communication, but with the provision that it should hold its meetings and do its work in the city of Providence, with jurisdiction comprising the whole State, limited nevertheless to candidates who had served in Army and Navy organisations.

Another item of important business at this Semi-Annual Communication was the report of the committee appointed to consider the question of erecting a new Masonic Temple. The report is interesting. That a new Temple was urgently necessary; that it should be built, owned, and controlled by the Grand Lodge; that it should be monumental in its type and plan; that a certain site in Providence, nearly opposite the State Capitol, was available and ample in size and should be chosen; that the cost of the Temple should be approximately \$1,000,000; and that the money should be obtained by the sale of bonds to the members of the Fraternity. These were the main findings of the committee, and they were approved by Grand Lodge.

At the 130th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, held in the same place, on the 17th May, 1920, Grand Master Collins again presided. In his excellent address, referring to the consideration of the Fraternity in the Jurisdiction, he said:—

“The past year has been the most prosperous in the history of Masonry in this Jurisdiction. No single year in its history has seen greater activity in the work of making new members. All previous records in this respect have been passed. Never have such numbers of applications for membership been received during any one year. At the last Annual Communication the membership of this Jurisdiction numbered 10,885. To this number there have been added 1,851 new members. After making the necessary deductions for deaths and withdrawals, we now have a total net membership of 12,414 members, the largest in the

history of the Grand Lodge. This unprecedented activity continues and bids fair to continue during the ensuing year. This unusual interest on the part of young men is due partly to the spirit of activity produced as a result of the war and partly to the prosperous times which enable them to meet the necessary expenses of joining the Fraternity. The character of the candidates has been high, and these new members bid fair to give an excellent account of themselves, when it shall become their turn to take upon themselves the responsibility of filling the offices in their several Lodges."

There are 38 Lodges, including Overseas Lodge under dispensation. The net gain for the year was 1,529.

The peculiar circumstances of Overseas Lodge necessitated an amendment to the Constitution, authorising dual membership to a limited extent.

The Grand Master was concerned about the election of Grand Officers. A custom had grown up of regular promotions all along the line, and from appointed offices to elected offices, so that in reality the popular will was never expressed. We do not find that a remedy was suggested.

A special committee appointed to consider the advisability of forming a Lodge of American citizens of Italian origin, to work and conduct business in the English language, reported favourably upon the proposal that such a Lodge should be formed, adding a recommendation that, if a dispensation should be granted by the Grand Master, there should be included in the list of petitioners certain persons chosen by the Grand Master whose duty it should be to see that the requirements of the Grand Master were fulfilled. This rather extraordinary rider was apparently approved, for the whole report was "accepted."

A proposal to speed the institution of a Masonic Home in Rhode Island was referred for consideration to a special committee, with instructions to report at the next Semi-Annual Communication.

We find no correspondence report; there is a Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which Past Grand Master William L. Chatterton, of Pawtucket, is Chairman.

James E. Batty, 344 Lonsdale Avenue, Pawtucket, Grand Master.

S. Penrose Williams, Freemasons Hall, Providence, Grand Secretary.

### **SASKATCHEWAN.**

The 14th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was held in Regina on the 16th and 17th June, 1920, the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. N. B. Williams, of Abernethy, on the Throne.

The Grand Master's address was earnest and inspiring. Speaking of the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund, he said that the plan adopted was to collect from each Lodge in the Jurisdiction an amount equal to \$10 per member—an ambitious undertaking. It is not surprising to learn that all the Lodges had not responded in full measure—had not “cleaned up,” as the Grand Master said. What he wished to impress upon the Brethren was, that any Lodge in arrear had not embraced an opportunity to prove conclusively that it was prepared to put into practice one of the great outstanding principles it professed to teach, nor had it lived up to the requirements of the Grand Body of which it was an integral part.

One of the Grand Master's rulings was very liberal:—

“In the case of candidates (such as Quakers) who, because of their religious beliefs, conscientiously object to taking an oath under any circumstances, and to whom to ‘affirm’ is just as binding as to ‘swear,’ it is permissible to allow such candidates to use the word ‘affirm’ instead of ‘swear’ in their obligations and to raise their right hands instead of following the ordinary procedure of rendering such obligations binding.”

This ruling was not concurred in by the Committee on Jurisprudence, who reported as follows:—

"With respect to the Grand Master's ruling regarding a candidate who is a conscientious objector to our form of obligation as being contrary to his religious belief, your committee have carefully considered this ruling and are prepared to admit that there are a number of arguments that can be used in its favour, and, while the committee agree that another form of obligation might be most binding on such a candidate, they hesitate to concur in any ruling which would establish a precedent by departing from the Ancient Usages and Landmarks extant in the form of obligation as it has come down to us through the Masonic centuries."

The report of the Committee was adopted.

District Meetings, the Grand Master considered, afforded great opportunities for Masonic progress. Fifteen were held during the year, and the Grand Master himself was present at all of them. A part of each session was of course devoted to the exemplification of the work, instruction therein, and discussion thereanent. But "the time at the evening sessions was devoted to a study of the interpretation of Masonry and the application of its principles as a means of solving some of the intricate problems so common to the social and economic life of the present day." The Grand Master noted with satisfaction the proposed amendment to the Constitution designed to give the District Meetings constitutional status. We find that the proposed amendment was duly adopted by Grand Lodge.

The thoughtful, sound, and practical admonition of the Grand Master, in the concluding part of his address, is well worth quoting:—

"To the minds of some Masonic students the fact that a countless host of petitioners are crowding the doors of Lodges in this as well as every other Grand Jurisdiction, constitutes a serious problem. To me this condition lays before our Lodges as never before the duty of choosing wisely and well the rough ashlar for the builders' use, to see that those who gain admission are men with reasonable intelligence,



moral character, and personal integrity. Might not our Lodges profitably adopt the principle of inquiring as to what a petitioner has done or is doing for the benefit of his fellowmen to merit favourable consideration rather than the passive attitude so commonly adopted of simply satisfying themselves that the petitioner has been guilty of no misconduct which would bar his way? In other words, should not the positive rather than the negative side of a petitioner's character be carefully considered to ascertain whether or not he is likely to become a potent asset to the Craft by the exercise and influence of his intelligence and moral worth?

"Many of those who seek to enter our mystic portals are men of intelligence, morality, and high ideals. By service and self-sacrifice they are from day to day doing their little part to make the world a better place to live in. Such applicants, when once admitted, will be towers of strength to our institution, provided that they find within its sacred walls some evidences that those charged with the promulgation of Masonic truth are schooled in the lore and customs of the Craft, possessed of a vision of humanity's need, and able to visualise Masonic principles so that others may learn Freemasonry's solution of world-wide problems."

The report of the Grand Secretary, Brother W. B. Tate, P.G.M., contained much that was interesting. This is the statistical summary:—

"The gross gains for the year were large. At the close of the Masonic year ending the 31st March, 1920, there were 143 chartered Lodges on the register of Grand Lodge and 7 Lodges under dispensation, a net gain of 7 for the year. Since the books closed, returns have been received from 5 additional Lodges under dispensation, and 4 others have been instituted during the last month but have not as yet had time to do any work.

"The returns from the 143 chartered Lodges and the 7 Lodges under dispensation that had made their returns before the books closed on the 31st March,

showed that they had initiated an aggregate of 1,191; affiliated 248; restored 33; admitted as charter members of Lodges under dispensation 100; a total gross gain of 1,572. The losses reported were: resigned, 341; suspended, 98; commuted life members, 25; died, 74; total gross loss, 538. Our total net membership was 10,174, a net gain for the year of 1,034. The 5 Lodges under dispensation whose returns were received after the books closed, report a total membership of 287, and the 4 Lodges under dispensation instituted during the last month, have a total charter membership of 49."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence, which was received and adopted, dealt first with a petition of a Chinese Masonic Lodge at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, seeking fraternal recognition. This Lodge appeared to be working under a dispensation from the Grand Lodge Chee Kung Tong of Victoria, British Columbia, and that Grand Body derived its authority from Chee Kung Tong of San Francisco, which in turn owed allegiance to Chee Kung Tong of Canton, China. As no dates for the formation of any of those Grand Lodges were given, and as the parent Grand Lodge in China was not at present recognised by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, the committee recommended that recognition of the Saskatoon Lodge be deferred until the older Lodges should have received fraternal acceptance.

The Grand Lodge Valley of Mexico, the Grand Lodge of Vienna, and the Grand Lodge of Columbia, situated at Barranquilla, also sought recognition. The committee recommended that no action be taken at present.

There is no review of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges.

Of the new Grand Master elected and installed at this meeting there is a portrait, but no biography. M. W. Bro. E. L. Elwood is pretty well known, however, as a jurist of high repute and a puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Saskatchewan.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Elwood, Regina, Grand Master.

W. B. Tate, Regina, Grand Secretary.

### SCOTLAND.

Possibly the points of difference between our Grand Lodges on this side of the Atlantic and those of the United Kingdom are emphasised by the differences in the means taken for recording and publishing the proceedings. The first pamphlet received from Scotland this year has on its title-page: "Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Scotland from February, 1920, to January, 1921, with Grand Office-bearers, etc. There is a good deal of information in the pamphlet, but not precisely of the kind one would expect from the title. It may perhaps be useful, or at least interesting, to give a brief description of the contents.

The first item is a list of Grand Office-bearers. The supreme head is the Most Worshipful Grand Master Mason. Then comes the Right Worshipful Past Grand Master—the Immediate Past Grand Master, in our rather awkward Canadian phrase. After him the Right Worshipful Grand Master Depute and the Right Worshipful Substitute Grand Master. The lesser dignitaries are the R. W. Senior Grand Warden, the R. W. Junior Grand Warden, the R. W. Grand Secretary, the R. W. Grand Treasurer, the V. W. Senior Grand Chaplain, the V. W. Junior Grand Chaplain, the V. W. Senior Grand Deacon, the V. W. Junior Grand Deacon, the V. W. Architect, the V. W. Grand Jeweller, the V. W. Grand Bible-bearer, the W. Grand Director of Ceremonies, the W. Grand Bard, the W. Grand Sword-bearer, the W. Grand Director of Music, the W. Grand Organist, the W. Grand Marshal, the W. Grand Inner Guard, and the Grand Tyler. The graduations are marked with nicety. We cannot help wondering what the duties of the V. W. Grand Jeweller are. Then there are honorary Grand Office-bearers, Provisional and District Grand Masters, and Proxy District Grand Masters. The Grand Stewards are in a class by themselves—they form a "Board,"

with a President and Vice-President, but what their functions are we do not know. Perhaps they serve the "Craft" in a humble capacity; that would be in accord with Mr. Boffin's conception of the office of a steward. There are other "Boards," and the Grand Committee is an important body, the proceedings whereof are the substance of the book before us.

After these lists of functionaries, we find the statement that Grand Lodge meets in Quarterly Communication on the 5th February, 6th May, 5th August, and 4th November, 1920, and for Installation of Grand Office-bearers on the 30th November, 1920, at 4 p.m., and at 5 the same afternoon for the celebration of the Festival of St. Andrew.

Then we have the roll of members of Grand Lodge, headed by Brigadier-General Robert Gordon Gordon-Gilmour of Liberton and Craigmillar, C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O., Grand Master Mason. The other members are representatives of Lodges, and so the names and numbers of the Lodges are given—the numbers running up to 1207.

Next we find a list of Provinces—or, as we say, Districts—with the Lodges therein. There are many Provinces. The largest of those in Scotland contains 45 Lodges, and the smallest 2. India is a Province, with 69 Lodges; Queensland has 95; Bermuda has only 2. In foreign territory we find Turkey as a Province with 3 Lodges.

Following these and other lists (which altogether occupy 114 pages), there is a brief account of the proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Quarterly Communication of the 5th February, 1920, held in Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh. A list of those who were present occupies 5 pages, and another page is taken up with a list of those from whom "apologies for absence were intimated." Then followed a brief record of the installation of "Brother William Steele, Very Worshipful Grand Jeweller, who was unable to be present on St. Andrew's Day."

The rest is routine business, but this is interesting:—

“Reports of the Proceedings of the following Sister Grand Lodges were received, and the thanks of Grand Lodge voted therefor, viz.: England, Arizona, Canada, Colorado, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Manitoba, Missouri, Nebraska, New Brunswick, Ohio, Western Australia, Wyoming.”

Thanks are better than criticism. The correspondence review is unknown in the British Isles.

This, however, has almost a familiar look:—

“The Grand Director of Ceremonies introduced Brother Major-General James D. M'Lachlan, C. B., D.S.O., on his appointment as Representative of the Grand Lodge of Maryland near the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Brother M'Lachlan was cordially welcomed by the Grand Master.”

The following is perhaps significant, in view of what we have recorded under “Queensland”, above:

“The Grand Secretary reported that, since last meeting of Grand Committee, a petition, which was in order, had been received for a charter to Lodge Colinton, Colinton, Queensland. On the motion of the Grand Master, Grand Secretary was instructed to issue the charter prayed for.”

“Grand Lodge proceeded to elect members of Grand Committee in room of 16 who retired in rotation.”

Notice of motion that “Grand Committee consider the advisability of conducting the election of Grand Committee by ballot” was given.

These particulars give an idea of what is done at a Quarterly Communication.

The remaining pages of the book or pamphlet before us contain the minutes of the meetings of the Grand Committee held in February, March, and April, 1920, and of meetings of the Committee of the Fund



of Scottish Masonic Benevolence, of the Committee of the Metropolitan District Benevolent Fund, and of the Annuity Board.

No doubt this book is only the first of a series of four quarterly reports for the year 1920, but it is the only one we have at present (May, 1921). We await the others.

One other arrived, but only one. The Quarterly Communications of May and August, 1920, are left unrecorded so far as we are concerned.

At the Quarterly Communication, held in Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, on the 4th November, 1920, the Earl of Eglinton and Winton was unanimously, and with acclamation, elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

We find in the same little book the minutes of the Annual Communication, held in the same hall on the 30th November, 1920, at which the new Grand Master and other Grand Office-bearers were duly installed and proclaimed.

After the formal closing of Grand Lodge, the Brethren proceeded to the Grand Hall for the celebration of the Festival of St. Andrew. The celebration took the form of a banquet, with the usual toasts. In the new Grand Master's speech, he gave some figures showing the financial position of the various funds controlled by the Grand Lodge. There had been an increase of £18,191. Grand Lodge was in a most flourishing condition. During the past year the number of Freemasons in Scotland had been increased by 32,118. This was not so high as the previous year, but that was accounted for by the excellent new rule that only 7 candidates may be made members on one night. The income of Grand Lodge had fallen by some £7,000, but that was to be accounted for in the same way.

The Earl of Eglinton and Winton, Grand Master.

David Reid, J.P., Edinburgh, Grand Secretary.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA.**

In the proceedings of this Grand Lodge a happy combination of the respective styles of the British and American Grand Lodges is manifest. Those with which we are immediately concerned are the proceedings for the year ending on the 21st April, 1920.

A Special Communication was held on Sunday the 20th July, 1919, in the town-hall, Adelaide, to celebrate the restoration of peace. Nearly 1,000 Brethren were present. The prayers, praises, and addresses were appropriate to the occasion.

The Half-Yearly Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide, on the 15th October, 1919: M.W. Bro. A. W. Piper, K.C., Grand Master, presiding. What the newspapers call a "pleasing incident" at this meeting was the offering to the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Charles R. J. Glover, of congratulations upon the prospective distinction of the title of Lord Mayor of Adelaide. It seems that Brother Glover was in 1919 Mayor of the City of Adelaide, and that it was confidently expected that the Mayoralty was to be raised to the dignity of a Lord Mayoralty. We have not before heard of Lord Mayors outside of the United Kingdom. Possibilities loom up in other parts of the Empire. No city, for instance, deserves a Lord Mayor more than Toronto, in the Province of Ontario and Dominion of Canada. The reason of this will be apparent—at least in Toronto.

At this meeting there was a great deal of discussion over a report of the Board of General Purposes in the matter of the qualifications, physical and moral, of candidates for admission to the Order. The decision arrived at in regard to physical qualifications was embodied in a motion which was declared carried:—

"That the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge of England be adopted, pending a decision later on, namely, that each case of the description referred to therein has to be decided on its merits by the members of the Lodge

to whom the candidate is personally known, subject to the investigation and approval of the Master of the Lodge, who is officially responsible that the candidate is in a condition to comply with the requirements above named, and subject also to the sanction of the Grand Master after submission to him of the circumstances of the case."

The matter of examining into the moral qualifications of candidates had given rise to some controversy in South Australia. There was great anxiety lest unworthy persons should be admitted. The debate ended in the amendment of the constitution of Grand Lodge by the addition of the following provision:—

"Groups of Lodges shall be constituted and may from time to time be varied by the Board of General Purposes, and each Lodge shall:—

"(a) Forward to all the other Lodges included in the group of which it forms part, copies of every summons issued by it which contains notice of any propositions received, or of any ballot to be taken by it for the initiation or joining of any candidate.

"(b) Forward copies of every such summons to the Lodge nearest to the place or places where any such candidate shall be known to have resided within two years prior to the date of the receipt of his proposition."

At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in the Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide, on the 21st April, 1920, Grand Master Piper again presided, and was re-elected and installed as Grand Master for the ensuing 12 months. He made an address in which he stated that since the Semi-Annual Communication one maimed soldier had been admitted to Masonry under the new regulation. Another matter touched upon was the proposal to erect a new Masonic Temple in Adelaide upon a site to be vested in Grand Lodge. A building fund started some years ago had grown to £12,000.

Among the Grand Lodge officers elected at this Communication were two auditors named respectively W. S. Esau and W. F. Jacob. When we noticed this, we saw the opportunity for cracking a brilliant jest; but on reading farther we found ourselves forestalled, for the Grand Master, in congratulating Grand Lodge on the officers who had been elected, said:—

“The auditors (Bros. Esau and Jacob) attract attention, not only in this Grand Lodge, where their names are always received with every mark of appreciation and interest (laughter), but I may draw your attention to the fact that they also cause some of our correspondents to put in a little line at the end of their communications, in which each pretends to believe he is the only one who has noticed the coincidence. (Renewed laughter.)”

“The Review of Correspondence and Gleanings from the Proceedings of Sister Constitutions” is the work of several hands. Whenever possible the proceedings of a foreign Jurisdiction are reviewed by the representative of that Jurisdiction near the Grand Lodge of South Australia. In the case of “Canada 1919,” which receives fair and courteous treatment, the review is by our representative, the Right Worshipful and Reverend Brother M. Williams, P.G.W.

A. W. Piper, K.C., Freemasons’ Hall, Adelaide, Grand Master.

Charles R. J. Glover, Freemasons’ Hall, Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

### **SOUTH CAROLINA.**

This Grand Lodge is worthy of all respect not only for its age but for its youthful spirit.

The 183rd Annual Communication was held in Charleston on the 9th and 10th December, 1919. It was a long time ago, but we have received nothing later than the minutes of the proceedings on those days—very good minutes too, taken down by a shorthand writer, who was paid \$50 for his services.

The oldest living Past Grand Master, J. Adger Smyth, whose home is in Charleston, had prepared a brief address or greeting to the Brethren, which he intended to read, but his infirmities made it impossible for him to attend, and it was read by the Grand Master—a touching testimony to the value of Masonry from one who had been 55 years a Master Mason and 49 years a member of the Grand Lodge.

In his address the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. William W. Wannamaker, of Orangeburg, spoke of the happy conditions prevailing in South Carolina:—

“Here we have had none of that turmoil so grievously inflicted upon other sections of our country by an alien blood which has seized the psychological moment of temporary unrest to preach the most radical doctrines of communism and even anarchism. Happily, South Carolina has little alien blood and practically none of the radical kind. Her citizens understand and are trustful of each other; her institutions are respected; and liberty is not mistaken for license or freedom for irresponsibility.”

Walter Mitchell Whitehead, who was born in 1860 in Savannah, Georgia, was Grand Master in 1901 and 1902. He was a schoolmaster in Charleston, where he died in April, 1919. “He served the Grand Lodge with distinguished ability. His deliverances were impressed with individual strength of character and marked with scholarly attainment.”

The death of Benjamin Edward Nicholson was also chronicled. He was born in 1875, in South Carolina, and was elected Junior Grand Warden in December, 1918. His death occurred at his home in Edgefield, South Carolina, in January, 1919. “His years were filled with good works, and he had so lived as to leave the impress of a strong moral character on both community and State.”

This passage taken from the address of Grand Master Wannamaker is interesting:—



"In directing your attention to what is believed to be a dangerous tendency toward lax administration of the laws governing initiation into the Order, it is not intended to convey the idea that Masonry has not made great progress along all lines. While more Masons have been made than in any previous year in the history of this Grand Lodge, yet the privilege of selection has also been exercised and the percentage of rejections will doubtless be found highest. For example, in one Lodge with a record of 74 candidates raised, there were also 37 rejections. It is also pleasing to note a friendly rivalry among the Lodges for better Lodge-room accommodations, better business methods, better preparation for the work, and an increasing effort to make Masonry a living force for the civic and moral development of the community."

About \$17,000 had been raised for war relief by a direct assessment imposed upon the Lodges. The Grand Master commended the cheerful spirit with which the demand was met in most of the Lodges, and stated that every Lodge had met the obligation. It was the first time in the history of the Grand Lodge that an obligatory assessment had been levied for other than strictly administrative purposes. What to do with the fund thus raised, now that the war was ended, was the problem. The Grand Master recommended that the duties and powers of the War Relief Board be so enlarged as to enable it to care for the financial obligation arising from the membership of this Grand Jurisdiction in the Masonic Service Association of the United States and to have discretion to use the fund for benevolences in South Carolina. The recommendation was adopted.

For reasons of convenience, the time of holding the annual session of Grand Lodge was changed. The sessions will henceforth begin on the fourth Wednesday in February.

The Grand Master was called upon for many rulings; he gave considered opinions in very lucid language.

An extraordinary thing occurred during the year. A candidate who had been proposed but not ballotted for was actually initiated—of course by mistake. The charter of the Lodge was arrested by the Grand Master.

The arrangements as to Foreign Correspondence are different in this Jurisdiction from those in other Grand Lodges. We find a committee of five reporting to Grand Lodge that they had read the review of proceedings compiled by Past Grand Master J. L. Michie, and noted with pleasure and not a little pride the excellent quality of his work. "The character of any Masonic Jurisdiction," the committee said, "is usually exhibited in the workmanship which its Craftsmen send out for the inspection of the Craft and the world at large."

This committee noted that the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina was of great service in the late war to American Masons, and recommended fraternal relations with it; also a contribution of \$100 to the International Bureau for Masonic Affairs, which is under the auspices of that Grand Lodge. This was adopted.

The reviewer is not a member of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. Brother Michie submits his 10th Annual review of all the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges which have reached him since his last report. The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) are among 58 reviewed; but it is ancient history—1918, when the Grand Lodge met at Windsor. The reviews are all interesting, and the conclusion, dealing with the important question of the recognition of foreign Grand Lodges, most able.

The total membership of the 275 Lodges in the South Carolina Jurisdiction is given as 21,723, showing a net gain in one year of 2,140—a large percentage of increase.

S. T. Lanham, Spartanburg, Grand Master.

O. Frank Hart, Columbia, Grand Secretary.

**SOUTH DAKOTA.**

The 46th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota was held in the Masonic Hall, Pierre, on the 8th and 9th June, 1920.

The M. W. Grand Master, Brother Walter B. Burr, of Selby, in his address, said that, while the Supreme Architect's call had been answered by 155 Craftsmen of South Dakota during the past year, none of the members of Grand Lodge was included.

The government of the country, he said, was founded upon the principles of the Masonic Order, and patriotism became a pleasant Masonic duty. As the Order could not prosper where ignorance prevailed, it was the duty of every Mason to support to the extent of his ability the common schools of the land.

He commended the two national Masonic organisations, the Washington Memorial Association and the Masonic Service Association. For the former the "drive" had been fairly successful in South Dakota, but all the Lodges had not yet reached the objective of \$1 for each member.

The Immediate Past Grand Master, George A. Pettigrew, presented his 25th annual report as Grand Secretary, including an interesting recapitulation of 45 years' work. In 1875, when the Grand Lodge of Dakota was formed, there were but 6 Lodges and 195 members. In 1889 there were 105 Lodges and 4,595 members. In that year 32 Lodges with 1,343 members withdrew to form the Grand Lodge of North Dakota; but now, in 1920, the number of Lodges had grown to 151 and the population to 14,628; the net gain for the year was 1,107.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was presented by Past Grand Master Charles L. Brockway. It is rather an extraordinary document. At first he speaks of not having time to prepare a "formal review," and then goes on to "slate" the formal review—"Your Committee is clearly of the opinion that the average report on correspondence,

regardless of its real merit, does not fill the need of the hour." Without direct allusion to the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, he draws attention to some of the problems that appear on the trestle-board in some Grand Lodges—"The Study Side of Masonry," "Large or Small Lodges," "Supervision of Lodges," "Reconstruction," "The Blue Lodge," "Benevolences," "Physical Qualifications." These subjects are discussed with considerable acumen. Brother Brockway's opinion is entitled at least to consideration. We forgive him for having somewhat roughly trodden upon our corns.

Past Grand Master Louis G. Levoy bade farewell to Grand Lodge at this Communication, being about to remove to California.

We find the Order of the Eastern Star again brought into prominence. A delegation from that body visited Grand Lodge during recess; greetings and compliments were exchanged.

John H. McCord, Pierre, Grand Master.

George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary.

## TASMANIA.

The minutes of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania at its 29th Annual Communication, holden in the Masonic Hall, Hobart, on the 25th February, 1920, are contained in a pamphlet-sized book of 29 pages, closely printed. The matter is quite interesting.

The Grand Master, The Hon. C. E. Davies, M.L.C., presided. The first business was the presentation of the report of the Board of General Purposes, in which it was said that the most important question that had engaged the attention of the Board during the past half year was that of the "home of Grand Lodge" and the place of residence of the Grand Master. There was a great deal of discussion over this matter. The proposal was that the seat of Masonic government

should be at the capital of the State, that is, Launceston, and that the Grand Master, Grand Secretary, and Grand Tyler must reside there or in the vicinity. In the end the proposal was withdrawn.

In his address the Grand Master referred to the steady growth of the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge—the capital now stood at £5,700. A large increase in membership is spoken of, but statistics are not given.

M. W. Bro. Davies had been Grand Master for 21 years, and was re-elected and proclaimed at this Communication, announcing, however, that this was the last time. The Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. John Hamilton, is also to retire, after 26 years' service. V. W. Bro. H. R. I. Payne is Deputy Grand Secretary.

The Board of General Purposes regretted that, after several years' trial, they felt compelled to relinquish the effort to give additional publicity to the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges. The anticipations that the representatives of sister Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge would each furnish a quota had not been realised; and, apart from the additional expense involved, the Board felt that the lack of general interest shown warranted them in discontinuing further publications under the heading of "Foreign Correspondence."

The Hon. E. C. Davies, Launceston, Grand Master.

John Hamilton, Hobart, Grand Secretary.

## UTAH.

The Grand Lodge of Utah takes "quality not quantity" for its motto. It is not strong in numbers, but in every other respect is quite vigorous and progressive. There are 21 chartered Lodges and one Lodge under dispensation, the total membership is 3,021, and the net gain in a year 180. These figures are as of the last day of December, 1919. Grand Lodge convened for its 49th Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City, on the 20th January, 1920—Grand Master Arthur Cornelius Wherry presiding.



In his address the Grand Master referred to the death, on the 12th May, 1919, of Past Grand Master Arvis Scott Chapman, who was born in Ohio in 1839. He lived in Salt Lake City, and was Grand Master in 1894. William Fletcher James, also specially mentioned, was born at Harper's Ferry, West Virginia, in 1846, and died at Long Beach, California, on the 18th January, 1920. He was Grand Master in 1882.

The Grand Master spoke enthusiastically of the George Washington National Memorial Association and the Masonic Service Association of the United States.

The following paragraph in the address is of special interest:—

"We have not been called on as yet to decide the status of the 'Grotto' or 'The Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm' in this Grand Jurisdiction. It is a question that is before the Masonic Fraternity and one that has met with a wide difference of opinion. I believe that a committee should be appointed to investigate this new appendage to Masonry, and be prepared to advise intelligently as to its status. In the meantime, I think the Grand Lodge should place some restriction on its operations in this Jurisdiction."

This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, but we cannot find that any report thereon was made.

The Grand Secretary, Bro. F. A. McCarty, in his 6th annual report, said that in many respects the condition of the Lodges was more encouraging than for many years past. More degrees were conferred and there was a greater gain in membership than in any one year in the history of the Utah Grand Lodge.

Past Grand Master S. H. Goodwin, the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, recommended the establishment of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland and arrangements for an exchange of representatives. Adopted.

As to the feasibility of erecting a Masonic Home in Utah, a special committee reported as follows:—

“We find that the initial cost and expense of maintenance are so great, compared with the number of Masons in this Grand Jurisdiction, that it is not practicable to start this work at the present time. We therefore recommend that no action be taken.” Adopted.

The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended the adoption of a proposal to limit the membership of the Lodges in the Jurisdiction to 500. After some discussion, action was deferred until the next Annual Communication.

Brother Goodwin aforesaid is a most capable reviewer; he holds strong opinions, and does not hesitate to express them. From his foreword we quote:—

*“French Masonry.* During the year various Jurisdictions have taken action, favourable and unfavourable, with reference to recognition. Some, under the leadership of Grand Masters or Special Committees, have taken strong ground against our French Brothers. They insist that until the Masonry of France becomes Anglo-Saxon, it must remain without the pale. Frenchmen must accept American innovations and ‘frame to pronounce’ sectarian dogmas—bearing labels of American manufacture—or they must remain in outer Masonic darkness. Other Jurisdictions have attempted to interpret Masonic principles in service-values rather than in lip-protestations. One Grand Jurisdiction drew back from the just position it had taken and lined up with those which are determined to see no good thing in French Masonry. It is Boileau, is it not, who somewhere says, “Often the fear of one evil leads us into a worse.”

*“Sectarianism.* Thoughtful, observant Craftsmen have noted the tendency on the part of not a few zealous, well-intentioned Brothers to Christianise Masonry—more accurately, perhaps, to inject into the ‘body of Masonry’ the virus of narrow sectarian doctrines and dogmas. Grand Masters, Correspondents,

Special Committees, and Grand Orators have each and all taken a hand in this work. As we 'sense' this movement it is one that should be met by the instant, avowed, and unwavering opposition of Masons everywhere.

*"Membership Requirements.* Closely related to the subject of the last paragraph is this, which looks to the insidious work of those who would clamp upon every applicant their own restrictive, peculiar mould. The maker of creeds is at work in this particular as in the other. Among the evidences of his presence just now in mind is that which shows him insisting that applicants for the degrees must not only accept his individual shibboleth as to Deity, but must go to the absurd length of avowing a firm belief that this is 'the essential landmark' of Masonry. As though a candidate is in a position to make pronouncements concerning the 'landmarks.' Could folly further go?"

The Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) is complimented with a lengthy notice and considerable quotation. But it is the proceedings of 1918 which are before the learned reviewer, though it might well have been 1919. This is Brother Goodwin's 7th annual report or review.

The portrait of the new Grand Master of Utah Masons, elected and installed in January, 1920, reveals the student and thinker; and we find from the accompanying sketch of his career that he was born in Indiana in 1877; took up his abode in Salt Lake City in 1902, and is now Chief Deputy in the Internal Revenue Collector's office. He is an ardent Mason, and, we have no doubt, did good work during his year of office, which expired some months before the time of writing (June, 1921).

James LeRoy Catron, Salt Lake City, Grand Master.

Freeman A. McCarty, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary.

**VERMONT.**

The Grand Lodge of this State has a home of its own. We read that the Grand Lodge was convened "in its rooms" in the Masonic Temple, Burlington, on the 9th June, 1920. This was for the 127th Annual Communication; the sessions were spread over two days.

In the address of the Grand Master, Edwin L. Wells, of Lyndonville, we find nothing of special interest to outsiders except the statement that "a History of Freemasonry in Vermont is now being prepared by Past Grand Master Lee S. Tillotson."

The report of Grand Secretary H. H. Ross gives the statistics for the year ending on the 30th April, 1920: 103 chartered Lodges, all making returns and all but one showing work; total membership, 15,992; net gain for the year, 746. From the Grand Secretary's viewpoint, the year had been a prosperous one in all good things, and indications pointed to a succeeding one equally so.

In the report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence we read:—

"With regard to joining the organisation known as the Masonic Service Association of the United States, your committee are in accord and therefore report, with a like committee appointed for a similar purpose in the State of Indiana, that it is the belief of your committee that the war emergency which alone could have justified the call for such an organisation has passed. With the passing of the emergency there has passed also whatever need for such organisation may have arisen from the emergency."

The report was adopted.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence for the year 1920, by Charles H. Darling, Past Grand Master, is interesting. He begins by saying that he has "examined the proceedings of the several Jurisdictions for the year 1919 with which we are in fraternal relations, so far as they have been received." He then

goes on to discuss the form of the report. His, he says, is not the popular method; but, after all, the question is, what form or method will bring the greatest good to the greatest number? His method, adopted last year, and again in this report, is that which is sometimes called "topical." He defends it as a review or "critical writing," making a passing reference to "English Bards and Scotch Reviewers." We do not pretend that the old-fashioned form of review, taking up the Lodges seriatim, is the only possible one; and we have expressed aforetime our admiration for the work accomplished by Brother Darling and by Brother Jesse M. Whited of California. We take leave to quote a few lines from Brother Darling's report, on this head:—

"Some of our older writers on correspondence are unquestionably profound Masonic scholars and they write with a learning which should not be lost. To us it is a source of regret that their long years of labour have not been devoted to Masonic subjects systematically and in order, instead of a sentence here and a sentence there, which are practically lost in their surroundings. If the work of these wise, experienced, and veteran Masons was in such shape that it could be indexed and made available to the Brethren who are to follow, what a storehouse of Masonic lore would it contain!"

The point is well taken. We by no means scorn the "topical" report, and Brother Darling's for 1920 is of its kind excellent. There is good Masonry and good sense in every line, and his "topics" chosen are the live ones of the day.

Archie S. Harriman, Middlebury, Grand Master.

Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

### VICTORIA:

The printed proceedings for 1919 were not received in time for review in 1920, but are now before us in a slim book, bound in blue cloth, and printed on refreshingly good paper.



The title of the Grand Lodge is "The United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Victoria," from which it appears that the difficulties formerly prevailing in Canada and still prevailing in some of the Australasian States, in regard to the existence of Lodges owing allegiance to the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, and Ireland, have been happily overcome. The Grand Lodge was established in 1889, and has had only 9 Grand Masters, including the present incumbent of the office, M. W. Bro. Frederick Thomas Hickford, who is a lawyer and an eminent citizen and Mason. There are 239 active Lodges, with a total membership on the 31st December, 1918, of 18,334. The net increase for 1918 was 1,208.

Quarterly Communications were held in Freemasons' Hall, Melbourne, on the 30th April (postponed on account of the epidemic of influenza from the 19th March), the 18th June, the 17th September, and the 17th December. A special Communication was held in the town-hall, Melbourne, on the 3rd November, 1919—a "Welcome Home" from the Great War, 1914-1918, to Returned Sailor and Soldier Freemasons.

The "Welcome Home" was apparently most successful. Masters, Past Masters, and Master Masons, to the number in all of more than 2,000, including nearly 1,000 sailor and soldier Brethren in uniform, were present. There was prayer and there was singing, and there were three excellent addresses, dealing with the doings of the Australian Forces in the Field. The resourcefulness and the initiative of Australians were pointed out. The Grand Master said: "These open spaces of ours, the loneliness of the bush, the loneliness of our lowlands and our mountain-tops, really gave Australians that initiative which made them the wonder of the world." Resourcefulness and initiative may be predicted of Canadians also; although our country is very different in climate and physical features, the sparseness of the population and the wide spaces, the loneliness of the prairie, teach men to think and act for themselves. The second address was made by the State Commandant, Brigadier-General C. H. Brand, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., and a mem-

ber of the Craft, who said that "in the very essence of discipline and in absolute obedience within the battle-zone the Australian troops had no superior." Illustrating the resourcefulness of Australians, the third speaker, Venerable Archdeacon T. P. Bennett, V.W. Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge, who served as a Chaplain with the forces, told a story of four Australians in England who, finding an inn filled to overflowing, were quartered in a church near the inn. At 3 in the morning the landlord of the inn was awakened by the sound of the church-bell. He sent "Boots" to ascertain the cause of the ringing, and the report was: "It's them bloomin' Australians; they are very thirsty; they want a drink!"

At one of the regular Communications the Grand Master made the following pronouncement:—

"It has been brought under my notice that the elections of Grand Treasurer and the members of the Boards of General Purposes and Benevolence have been made the subject of toutng for votes. Conduct of this kind is highly reprehensible and quite alien to Masonic ideals, and should be sternly and strenuously discouraged. I trust that his intimation will prevent any repetition of such conduct, which, if unnoticed, would degenerate into a practice subversive of the ideals of our Institution."

We find in the long list of "Sister Grand Lodges exchanging Representatives with the United Grand Lodge of Victoria" some that we have not met with before—the Argentine Republic, Egypt, and Greece.

Much business of a domestic character was transacted at all the Quarterly meetings.

Frederick Thomas Hickford, Grand Master (re-elected).

Charles James Barrow, Freemasons' Hall, 25 Collins Street, Melbourne, Grand Secretary.

**VIRGINIA.**

There was an Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia on the 27th November, 1919, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Charlottesville Public Library Building. A wonderful address on "Libraries and their Contents" was delivered by an eminent Past Grand Master of Virginia, Brother R. T. W. Duke, a man with evidently a rare knowledge of books and a master of felicitous phrase. The Library is the gift of Brother Paul Goodloe McIntyre, of Widow's Son's Lodge, to the City of Charlottesville, and is one of the many manifestations of his love for his native city.

The 142nd Grand Annual Communication was held in Richmond on the 10th, 11th, and 12th February, 1920; M. W. Bro. Sol. Cutchins, Grand Master, presiding.

Immediately after the opening, "W. Bro. J. G. Hankins, on behalf of Joppa Lodge, No. 40, presented to the Grand Master a hat and cane, which was accepted by the Grand Master in appropriate terms." This is perhaps a custom in Virginia—we are not told.

The Grand Master in his address said that the Masonic Home of Virginia, supported and controlled by Grand Lodge, through the Board of Governors appointed by the Grand Master, was never in better condition. There were in the Home 46 boys and 40 girls, who were being cared for, educated, and trained; the discipline and morale were good, and the finances were in a satisfactory condition.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the increasing cost of printing the proceedings of Grand Lodge, and he made certain suggestions for reducing the size of the book. We do not know whether the 1920 book is smaller than its predecessors—it is indeed the first that has come to our hands—but it is a big book, nearly 600 pages; and the superfine paper and good cloth binding must run into money. From the reviewer's selfish standpoint the money is well spent!

There are apparently 327 constituent Lodges, with a total membership of 31,221, and a net gain in a year of 3,167.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence by Joseph W. Eggleston, Past Grand Master, Chairman, is a review, without introduction or separate conclusion, of the proceedings of 58 Grand Lodges. Our own Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) is not included. Brother Eggleston is not a mere narrator, but a vigorous commentator. He expresses his opinions with much force. In one place he refers thus to what are called "topical" reviews: "For years we have opposed these abominable emasculated substitutes for Foreign Correspondents' reports." We appreciate his enthusiasm, his strong language, and his adherence to the landmarks. He is shrewd too and a great observer. We quote three of his many dicta:—

"In Virginia, calling from labour to refreshment does mean something more than idle words... One of the beauties of Masonry is our feasting together, regardless of worldly wealth or honours, and is perhaps more enjoyed by the wealthy and honoured than any others."

"Perhaps all Grand Lodges are afflicted with a few Masonic 'sea-lawyers,' always looking for something to pick at, and a few Lodges that would like to improve Masonry by imitating modern ephemeral organisations."

"We.....have thought for years that no trial for any Masonic offence should be held in the offender's own Lodge. It is painful so to try a man and often difficult to get a really just verdict. Another reason is that it always goes far to disrupt the good feeling in the Lodge and causes many feuds outside."

William W. Galt, Norfolk, Grand Master.

Charles A. Nesbitt, Richmond, Grand Secretary.

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA.**

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia from April, 1919, to April, 1920, are detailed in a book of nearly 300 pages, many of which are given up to a report of the Board of General Purposes presented to Grand Lodge at a Special Communication held in Perth, on the 21st April, 1920, upon an inquiry into the alleged misdeeds of certain Brethren in a certain Lodge, and the proceedings upon an appeal from the report, heard by Grand Lodge itself. In the end a motion for the adoption of the report was carried almost unanimously, the result being that some Brethren were suspended.

There are three principal officers in Grand Lodge, following the English fashion—the Grand Master, the Pro Grand Master, and the Deputy Grand Master.

At the Quarterly Communication held in the Masonic Hall, Boulder, on the 24th July, 1919, R. W. Bro. A. C. McCallum, Deputy Grand Master, presided, and gave an address upon the exploits of Craftsmen in the great war. He had himself been overseas with the Australian troops. He also made some sensible remarks on the duty of Masons "to those Brethren who have returned in a weak state of health, owing to wounds or sickness, to those who have lost limbs in our defence, and to the dependants of those Brethren who have fallen." "The work of repatriation," he said, "is too big a thing, the rewarding of those who have fought so well is too important a matter, to be left to the caprice of the public to contribute funds. It is not enough that we leave our Brethren to the tender mercies of the State to give them a pension or to the repatriation department to give them a helping hand. As a Freemason it is the duty of each one of us to know the position of soldier Brethren of our Lodge, to know the needs of the family of those Brethren who have fallen, and in every case where necessary to unite in forming a column of defence and support. Our benevolent funds can do a great deal, but it requires as well the personal touch and sympathy of us as individuals to render true Masonic service."



On the 23rd October, 1919, a Quarterly Communication was held in the town-hall, Geraldton, the Grand Master himself, His Excellency the Governor of the State, Sir William Ellison-Macartney, P.C., K.C.M.G., presiding. His brief address contained a passage which is singularly like many we have quoted from the addresses of Grand Masters on this side of the world:—

“One of the gratifying features of the past quarter has been the notable increase of applications for admission to the Craft. This increase is common to all the English-speaking countries of the world, and is as marked in the United Kingdom as in this State. It may not, therefore, be out of place to remind our members, as the United Grand Lodge of England has reminded its Lodges, of the scrupulous care which ought to be exercised in the approval of candidates. No desire to increase membership should for a moment be allowed to influence this decision of a Lodge. The position which the Craft holds in this State must be the first consideration, and every effort should be directed to maintaining the standard which has been reached.”

He also said, referring to the Peace Celebration of the Grand Lodge of England in June, 1919:—

“This unprecedented demonstration of the world-wide extent of Freemasonry must inspire us all with fresh confidence in its influence over the mind of man.”

The Grand Master did not, so far as the record shows, say farewell on this occasion; but in fact it was his last appearance in Grand Lodge, his connection with the State of Western Australia having been severed not long afterwards.

At the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge held in Freemasons' Hall, Perth, on the 22nd January, 1920, the Pro Grand Master, Brother C. O. L. Riley, Archbishop of Perth, presided. He told the Brethren that the Grand Master had departed (presumably for England) just two days before the meeting. The Grand Lodge officers had gathered inform-

ally in Perth on a recent evening and presented the departing Grand Master with a Past Grand Master's jewel. A new Governor was coming, but he was not a Brother Mason.

The Pro Grand Master was elected Grand Master at this meeting. He had occupied that position before, from 1914 to 1917.

At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, held in Perth, on the 22nd April, 1920, the Most Worshipful and Most Reverend Pro Grand Master and Grand Master elect presided, and was thereat duly installed and proclaimed as Grand Master.

He said (among other things) that on the 23rd March, 1919, he had had the pleasure of consecrating and dedicating the 100th Lodge on the roll—the Kojonup-Century Lodge.

“When the Grand Lodge was formed, the Lodges comprising it had a total membership of 2,000, which has now increased to 4,784, being the highest figures on record, and show a gain for the year of 296. It is interesting to note that during the past two years the number has increased by over 500. During the year, 426 candidates had been initiated, which is also the largest number on record. Nearly all the Lodges show an increase in membership, the greatest advance made being that of Abercorn with an increase of 16. This is particularly gratifying, because only a few years ago this Lodge was considering the question of either surrendering its warrant or amalgamating with some other Lodge. This progress must be a source of great satisfaction to the old members who stood by the Lodge during its difficult days. The Lodge on the roll with the highest membership is Star of the West with 106, followed by Emulation with 101.”

These words and figures of the Most Worshipful show the adherence of Western Australia to the British conception of the proper limit to the membership of a Lodge. When the figures 100 are passed, it is time to think of a new Lodge.

The Benevolent Fund is contributing to the support of 56 orphan children, 7 aged Freemasons, and 4 aged widows of Freemasons, at an expenditure of £896 per annum. The capital of the fund stands at £14,457 13s. 2d., being an increase of £1,560 19s. for the year.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Bro. J. D. Stevenson, P.S.G.W. and Grand Secretary; it comprises a review of the proceedings of 60 English-speaking Grand Lodges. "Canada (in Ontario)" is one of the 60, the vintage being that of 1919. The reviewer says that the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry is an educative treatise on Freemasonry. The reviews are distributed among a number of Grand Lodge members. Brother A. McMullen, Grand Representative of Ireland, is responsible for "Canada" and many others, and is a skilful and competent reviewer.

His Grace The Archbishop of Perth, Grand Master.

J. D. Stevenson, Freemasons' Hall, Perth, Grand Secretary.

### WISCONSIN.

The 76th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Milwaukee, on the 8th and 9th June, 1920.

In his address, Grand Master Charles E. Shane, of Eau Claire, said that during the year 1919 there were 509 deaths in the subordinate Lodges of Wisconsin. Of these one was a permanent member of Grand Lodge—Brother Philo A. Orton, Deputy Grand Master in 1879 and 1880, who died on the 17th June, 1919. He was born in New York State in 1837, and lived and died in Darlington, Wisconsin. He was an eminent lawyer and leader of the Bar of South-western Wisconsin.

One of the decisions or rulings of the Grand Master approved by Grand Lodge was interesting:—

“A Lodge desired to amend its by-laws by increasing the fees from \$50 to \$75, to take effect on the 1st January, 1920. An amendment was offered to permit those who had served in the Army or Navy to join at the old rate during the year 1920—making the fees \$50 for soldiers and sailors and \$75 for all others. Can this be done Answer: No. Masonry regards no man for his worldly wealth or honour. It is the internal and not the external qualifications of a man that should recommend him to be made a Mason. The amendment, if adopted, would discriminate as between classes, and would savour somewhat of soliciting. A precedent of this kind once established, we might next year, with equal propriety, amend our by-laws and offer the same inducement to ministers of the gospel, school teachers, travelling salesmen, etc., at bargain prices. While the Constitution is silent on the particular point involved, the amendment would violate the spirit of Masonry, and I cannot approve it.”

Some correspondence between the Grand Master and the President of the George Washington National Memorial Association was read. The President asked what was meant by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin declining to endorse the movement for the erection of the Memorial Temple. He pointed out that the Temple would be built, and the only question was whether it should be built in a manner creditable to the Fraternity. The Grand Master made this explanation:—

“When I stated in my letter of the 19th August that our Grand Lodge had declined to endorse this movement, I did not intend to give you to understand that our Grand Lodge did not approve. Certainly, I believe that every Mason in Wisconsin concurs heartily in the object for which your association has been organised and is working. The point with us, however, is this: We have on our own hands a building proposition which within the past two years has assumed gigantic proportions. Certain restrictions and safeguards surround our building plans which make us feel that we should not be justified in going before our subordinate Lodges in support of your

proposition. For the same reasons, we could not consistently consent to an organisation being formed for the purpose of soliciting funds in our Jurisdiction."

The Grand Master's disapproval of the Masonic Service Association of the United States was emphatic. He recommended that the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin should not affiliate with or officially recognise the association; and this was approved by the Grand Lodge.

Under the heading "Condition of the Craft" the Grand Master said:—

"There are times when prosperity is the true test of character. The material prosperity of the Craft in Wisconsin is best evidenced by the large increase in membership as shown by the records in the Grand Secretary's office. Whether or not this is a healthy growth remains to be seen. The spirit of unrest permeating the world to-day, the tendency to relax from high standards, cannot but show their effects upon this great Fraternity. Reports indicate that, with but few exceptions, every Lodge in the State is buried under an avalanche of petitions; two and sometimes three **and four meetings a day** are being held in order to keep up with the work. Under such conditions, what is the inevitable result? Brethren, I fear that we are turning out machine-made and not hand-made Masons. How is it possible properly to instruct candidates under such conditions?"

Brother W. W. Perry submitted his 20th annual report as Grand Secretary, and stated that he had been a regular attendant at all the sessions of Grand Lodge for 37 years. He reported 282 active chartered Lodges; total membership on the 1st January, 1920, 38,651; net gain for the year 1919, 2,265. Four Lodges which had been working under dispensation were chartered at this Communication, bringing the number up to 286.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Masonic Home at Dousman shows a prosperous and useful institution. In connection with the Home, a hospital is to be built and equipped by the



Order of the Eastern Star. It was decided that certain other new buildings contemplated should not be proceeded with at present.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence for the year 1920 was prepared by Aldro Jenks, P.G.M., the Committee sole—his 23rd annual successive report, and quite as vigorous as that of 1919, which we had the pleasure of perusing. The Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario) receives proper attention. The proceedings reviewed are of course those of 1919.

In his "Conclusion" Brother Jenks charges strongly against the Masonic Service Association. He quotes a Past Grand Master of Illinois as follows: "It is inevitable that it" (the association) "can have no power except as its constituent Grand Lodges give it, and to whatever extent they give power to it they deplete their own." And his own remark is, "Whenever the service association begins to do things it will become objectionable."

C. E. Shaffer, Madison, Grand Master.

William W. Perry, 470 Van Buren Street, Milwaukee, Grand Secretary.

## WYOMING.

The 46th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming was held in Buffalo, Wyoming, on the 8th and 9th September, 1920. M. W. Brother Arthur K. Lee, of Thermopolis, Grand Master, presided.

In the course of an excellent address the Grand Master said:—

"It has only been 11 months since we met in Casper at our last stated Communication, and this time has passed very quickly for your Grand Master. The returns of the subordinate Lodges, as will be reported to you by the Grand Secretary, show almost twice as large a growth as during any previous year of our history, the total increase in membership be-

ing 719, against 383, the highest of any preceding year. From the visits which I have made to the various Lodges of the State, and my general knowledge in talking to the Brethren, I am quite sure that the quality of our membership continues of the best, and that only those who are moral and upright before God and of good repute before the world are being allowed to petition favourably the subordinate Lodges of this Jurisdiction, and this is indicated by the rejections, which have equalled over 25 per cent. of the elections."

Wyoming's Grand Lodge holds membership in the Masonic Service Association of the United States, and the Grand Master said that he had attended the meeting held in Cedar Rapids in November, 1919. He reported, among other things, that, "after a two days' discussion of Masonic matters, it was felt by those present that the highest service which could be undertaken by the association was the extension of Masonic education to the 2,000,000 Masons of America, and especially to the younger Masons." This seems to be safe ground.

Joseph M. Lowndes, Grand Secretary, reported that there were 35 chartered Lodges and 5 under dispensation; total membership on the 1st July, 1920, 5,167; increase during the year, 719.

"The first Lodge of Masons in what is now the State of Wyoming was convened on Independence Rock on the 4th July, 1862, by a body of Master Masons who were travelling west on the old Oregon trail. To commemorate this event, Casper Lodge No. 15 A.F. & A.M. of Casper, Wyoming, held memorial services here on the 4th July, 1920." A bronze tablet bearing this inscription had been imbedded and cemented into Independence Rock. Grand Master Arthur K. Lee presided at the unveiling of this tablet on the 4th July, 1920, and made an appropriate address. A special meeting of Casper Lodge, authorised by dispensation, was held on the rock on the day named. More than 200 Masons were present. The equipment of the Lodge, thus meeting in the open air upon this interesting occasion, was unique. The altar

was similar to that used by the early Brethren, being composed of 13 large stones, emblematical of the 13 original colonies. The Bible on the altar was the very one used 58 years before. A most interesting record of Masonic history!

Grand Secretary Lowndes is the author of the Report on Fraternal Correspondence. He reviews the proceedings of 63 Grand Jurisdictions, and says that he has "tried to bring to the notice of the Craft what is being done in each Jurisdiction, together with anything I thought would be interesting or instructive." This strikes us as an excellent description of what a correspondence report ought to be—a question much discussed.

In reviewing the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario), 1919, Brother Lowndes shows appreciation of the chief points made in our addresses and reports. He concludes his report with some doggerel which we hope is not his own.

William Otis Wilson, the Grand Master elected and installed for the year 1920-1921, is before us in effigy and brief biography. He has a fine face and head; was born in Kansas in 1870; became a student first in arts and then in law in Chicago, and was admitted to the Bar of Illinois in 1899. In 1907 he removed to Casper, Wyoming, and has continued to live there, practising his profession with great success. His career in Masonry has been a short one. He was made in 1907 in Chicago, and in 1908 was dimitted to Casper Lodge, of which he became Master not long afterwards. His rise in Grand Lodge was rapid. We predict for him a successful year as Grand Master.

William Otis Wilson, Casper, Grand Master.

Joseph M. Lowndes, Casper, Grand Secretary.

## CONCLUSION.

With almost complete unanimity, the Grand Lodges whose proceedings are recorded in the foregoing pages announce great increases in membership; most of them deprecate this rapid growth, expressing the fear that mere *members* are being made, not *Masons*; and a considerable number, meeting the point raised, cite the rejections as showing that discrimination has in fact been exercised. There are suggestions for keeping down the membership of Lodges, and practical rules are in force limiting the number of degrees which may be conferred in any one Lodge on any one day—in Scotland 7 is the limit, by a rule recently adopted. It is often stated that the Lodges are so busy working degrees that they cannot find time to practise and study real Masonry. And yet we read of lectures, study-clubs, travelling libraries, research-associations, historical celebrations, and many other things designed to teach Masons what Masonry really is; and everywhere we find evidence of a consciousness that Masonry must justify its existence by a large benevolence.

Something has been told above of 56 Grand Bodies—last year 58 were included in our report. It may seem strange, but it is the fact, that although the numbers for the two years are practically the same, the Grand Lodges are not the same. We had many last year which we have not this year, and *vice versa*. For instance, we have no Alabama this year—it seems odd to begin without it—and last year we had no Massachusetts. Incidentally it may be said that Massachusetts is a treasure-house for the reviewer.

That person, call him what you will, correspondent, reporter, reviewer, committee, chairman of committee, has his own angle of observation. He is on the look-out for "copy." He would not of course rejoice if he found that something disastrous had occurred in a Masonic jurisdiction, but he would be glad to have something to write about. Writing is of course different from conversation, but there is a similarity. A real conversationalist (there are not many) can

pass from small talk to subjects and back again to small talk and be interesting; and so it should be with a writer.

There are a few great subjects before the Masonic World. One we have mentioned above—the alarm and the re-assurance as to numbers. Another is progress. Masonry, it is said, is a progressive science. A good deal about progress will be found in the often inadequate accounts above given of what the reviewer found in printed proceedings. On the whole, we think that Masonry is progressing satisfactorily. Witness, the encroachments upon the once rigid rule of physical perfection. We note in passing a decision in the District of Columbia that “blindness is an insuperable bar to admission to the Order.” Even that great affliction may not in the future perhaps be so regarded.

There may be progress in a wrong direction, progress that will not build up but destroy. What are we to say about the Order of the Eastern Star? Surely some of the Grand Lodges in the United States are going too far. Read what we have quoted above under “Mississippi” and “Pensylvania.” *Per contra*, excrescences like the “Shrine” and the “Grotto” do not seem to find much favour in pronouncements of Grand Masters and reviewers.

Is the recognition of Foreign Grand Bodies who have taken the Diety and the sacred volume out of their formulas to be deplored or commended? On this point there is a considerable difference of opinion. The reviewers, a corps of old or ageing men, are almost unanimous in deploring; and we find pretty generally expressed the opinion that the recognition of such Foreign Grand Bodies is an outcome of sentiment induced by the war. Modestly we range ourselves with the septuagenarians, whose arguments we find convincing. But we are not without a certain respect for the broader view; and the feeling that Modernism will prevail in the end always haunts us.

On the other hand, we must be on our guard against narrowing Masonry. We have often been



made a little uneasy by a sort of tacit assumption evident in some quarters that Craft Masonry is Christian Masonry. It is not stated in so many words, but references are at times made to the doctrines of the Christian Church—references which must be at least distasteful to the Jew and the Moham-medan. A writer in Utah, as noted above, thinks an attempt is being made to Christianise Masonry.

In the United States Grand Lodges, the controversy over the Masonic Service Association goes on. Some Grand Lodges which joined it have withdrawn, and several are strong in their opposition to it. Pennsylvania, usually a very conservative Grand Lodge, upholds it, and so does a very remarkable body of Masons in the Jurisdiction of the Philippine Islands. We have read very carefully the arguments pro and con, and the impression we have received is that there is no valid objection to the association's programme. We cannot conceive of its having or arrogating to itself any real power over Grand Lodges which may become members of it. One writer points out that it can have only such powers as its constituents choose to give it, and that, if they give it any powers, they to that extent deplete their own power-house. We have not heard of any powers being given except one, an inevitable one, that of taxation. The members, i.e., the Grand Lodges, submit to be taxed for the revenue of the association—the tax is rather a high one, and that is really the crux of the controversy. It is worth while to pay \$500 or \$1,000, or as much as \$10,000 in some cases, *per annum*, for what the association can bestow? Some Grand Lodges think it is worth while, and some do not. There you have it in a nut-shell.

The other semi-federal organisation in the United States, the George Washington National Memorial Association, does not meet with any real opposition, though it is looked coldly upon in some quarters. In one Grand Lodge careful explanations were made in regard to an attitude of non-support. It was not hostility, but poverty, it was said.

The Masonic World will rejoice in the fact that unity has been brought about in Queensland. The English and Scottish Lodges in that State—there are no Irish ones apparently—have formed a new Queensland Grand Lodge for the very purpose of uniting with the existing Grand Lodge of Queensland. The procedure recalls what took place in Canada as long ago as 1858.

We draw attention to what has been said under the heading "Philippine Islands" *supra*, Masonry takes on a new meaning when applied to peculiar circumstances such as there exist. The growth and prosperity of the Order in this distant sphere is an excellent tribute to the importance and beneficent influence of the Craft.

The period dealt with in the reviews above is, roughly speaking, the calendar year 1920; but we find many echoes of the great event of 1919, the English Masonic Peace Celebration in June of that year. A profound impression was left on the minds of the American Masons who were the guests of the United Grand Lodge of England on that historic occasion.

The language question still continues to occupy the attention of some of the United States Grand Lodges. See, for instance, "California" and "New Jersey."

It is not without interest to note that the unholy practice of referring to the Lodge-banquet or refreshment-board as "the 4th degree" has spread to Manitoba and has been reprehended there, as it has been by our own Grand Master.

Closely connected with the oft-recurring subject of increase in membership is that of investigation of the qualifications of candidates. A form of questionnaire has been adopted in some Grand Lodges. We regard this as unmasonic. If such questions as we have seen set out in one of these abominations were put to a freeborn British subject, he would tell the questioner to go to the devil. We have frequently wondered at the absence of a sense of humour in some Grand Lodges.

We are impressed with and indeed astonished at the number of costly gifts, testamentary and otherwise, made by Masons to Masonic institutions in the United States. See especially North Carolina and Pennsylvania. We would like to see more benefactions of that kind in Canada.

The preparation of his report—his second—has been a pleasure to the writer, who hopes that his readers will find some profit and some entertainment in its many—perhaps too many—pages.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

EDWARD B. BROWN.







# Appendix

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## THE GRAND LODGE OF QUEBEC

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By Edward B. Brown, P. D. D. G. M., Grand Historian

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The formation of the Grand Lodge of Quebec in 1869 was briefly referred to in a paper read a year ago—"The History of our own Grand Lodge—a Sketch." The reference may be found on p. 282 of the printed proceedings of our Grand Lodge for 1920. When that paper was prepared, the Grand Lodge of Quebec had in fact celebrated its semi-centenary, but the record of the celebration did not reach us in time for notice in 1920. We now have before us a full account of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Quebec in 1919; and, deeming the history of the Grand Lodge of Quebec of importance in relation to the history of our own Grand Lodge, we take leave to present some extracts from the Quebec proceedings of 1919 which are likely to prove of interest to the Masons of Upper Canada. An especial Communication was held on the 31st October, 1919, in the Windsor Hall, Montreal, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the institution of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. It may be noted that among other eminent Masons present was our own Grand Master of 1919—M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt. The extracts are taken from an historical address delivered by M. W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, a Past Grand Master of Quebec and a Masonic scholar of high repute:—

"Hitherto the first authoritative record we have of Masonic meetings in what is now the Province of Quebec has reference to the Masonic observance in the Ancient Capital of the festival of St. John the Evangelist, 1759. M. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson and other historians have made reference to meetings of Masons in Quebec within a few days of the battle of the Plains of Abraham, but without giving any specific date. For some weeks in the early spring of 1919, through the kindness of Brother John Nealor of Good Samaritan Lodge, New Carlisle, I was placed in possession of a valuable

contemporary manuscript record of what I believe to be the first Masonic gathering definitely known to have been held in any part of what is now the Province of Quebec, together with a copy of the earliest correspondence connected therewith. This manuscript is in the shape of a letter-book, in which also appear, in contemporary manuscript form, the minutes of the original gathering in the City of Quebec of representatives of the different regimental lodges in Wolfe's army. The date of the meeting, which was hitherto supposed by Bros. Graham, Robertson, and Whyte to have been the 27th of December of that year, was really the 28th of November, 1759, and this may also have been the very first regular Masonic meeting of any kind within the territory over which jurisdiction is exercised by the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

"From no other source have I been able to secure the evidence, furnished by the manuscript in question, that the election of Brother Guinnett as first Provincial Grand Master of Quebec was as early as the 28th of November, 1759, or only a few days over two months from the capitulation of Quebec and less than eleven weeks from the victory and death of Wolfe on the Plains of Abraham. Yet there is not the slightest reason to doubt the authenticity and correctness of the manuscript from which I have the privilege of quoting, and which bears every evidence of legitimacy and age. It will be recalled by those who are familiar with the valuable historical work of our revered and scholarly first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, the late M. W. Brother John Hamilton Graham, that the meeting of the Craft on the 27th of December, 1759, is the first of which he makes any mention, and of which, presumedly, he had any knowledge. On page 80 of his 'Outlines of the History of Freemasonry in the Province of Quebec,' he gives that date as the time of Brother Guinnett's election. The late R. W. Bro. Will. H. Whyte was apparently of the same opinion.

"The fact that Brother Guinnett's election as Grand Master occurred on the 28th November, 1759, is definitely established, to all appearance, by the first entry in the letter-book in Brother Nealor's possession, which reads as follows (Retaining the original spelling and punctuation):—

" 'Quebec on the 28th day of November 1759 and of Masonry 5759 which was as soon as Convenient after the Surrender of this place to His Brittanic Majestys Arms.

" 'The masters and wardens of the following Lodges viz: No. 192 in the 47th Regiment No. 218 in the 48th Regiment, No. 245 in the 15th Regiment, Dispensation 136 in the 43rd Regiment,

Dispensation 195 in the Artillery, all of the Registry in Ireland, and No. 1 of Louisbourg warrant; Mett in form at 6 o'clock in the Evening when it was Consulted and agreed upon, as there were so many Lodges in this Garrison, That one of the Brethren present of the Greatest Skill and Merritt should take upon him the Name of Grand Master from the Authority of the above Lodges untill such time as a favourable opportunity shou'd offer for obtaining a proper Sanction from the Right Worshipful and Right Honourable the Grand Master of England and in Consequence thereof our True and faithful Brother Mr. John Price Guinnitt Lieutenant in his Majesty's 47th Regiment was unanimously and to the Great satisfaction of the whole Fraternity assembled Proclaimed Grand Master for the Ensuing year, when being properly Install'd in the Chair he Chose our worthy Brother Thomas Augustus Span, Esq. Captain in the 28th Regiment his Deputy who was thereupon proclaimed as such, and Brothers Huntingford and Prenties were Chosen Senior and Junior Grand Wardens and Brother Paxton Grand Secretary.'

"It is naturally a matter of pride and pleasure to the speaker, both as an old member of this Grand Lodge and as a still older resident of the Ancient Capital, to be able to establish that the first regular assemblage of Masonic Lodges in our present Jurisdiction was really held in the City of Quebec more than four weeks earlier than the date hitherto assigned to it by the historians. The observance of St. John's Day in December, 1759, by the Lodges in Quebec, which was apparently their next foregathering after the 28th November, is testified to by Captain John Knox in his 'Campaigns in North America,' published in 1769, and upon this occasion it is presumed that the charter was issued to Merchants' Lodge, No. 1, of Quebec. . . . .

"The Provincial Grand Lodge of Quebec was only dissolved in 1870, after the formation of the present Grand Lodge of Quebec. But in saying this we are anticipating.

"In October, 1885, 41 lodges in what was then called Canada West and 13 in Canada East, now the Province of Quebec, united in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Canada, which was destined from that time up to 1869 to control the greater part of Masonry and the largest number of the Lodges in Lower Canada, though some of the latter still continued their connection with the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland. There is no time to-day to dwell upon the condition of Masonry in this part of Canada between the formation of the Grand Lodge of Canada and the birth of the movement for the establishment of the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

"Because of the very natural adoption by Masons of state or provincial divisions for determining territorial limits of Sovereign Masonic Jurisdictions, the constitutional crisis of the middle sixties of the last century in this country, which led up to the Confederation of the Provinces, naturally suggested **very desirable** if not **absolutely necessary** changes in the then prevailing system of Masonic government in British North America. The constitutional movement was at that time afoot, which reached its fruition on the 1st of July, 1867, for the dissolution of the then existing union between Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Confederation of all the Provinces—with the later addition of Prince Edward Island, Manitoba, British Columbia, and the North West—into the Dominion of Canada.

"Already a Grand Lodge had been established in Nova Scotia and was recognized by the Grand Lodge of Canada in 1866, thus foreshadowing the right to recognition of regularly formed Grand Lodges in each of the other Provinces, and establishing a notable precedent as far as the Masonry of British North America is concerned. Two years later the then newly formed Grand Lodge of New Brunswick was similarly recognized.

"At the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Canada held at Kingston on the 10th of July, 1867, nine days after the birth of the new Dominion, Grand Master Wilson, with the sound common sense for which he was distinguished, spoke as follows upon the status of of his Grand Lodge:—

" 'The name by which for many years we have been known and recognised in the Masonic world becomes now, it is claimed, a misnomer. The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia which has supreme authority in that section of the new Dominion is as much a Grand Lodge of Canada as we ourselves are.'

"He also referred to the fact that his predecessor in office had approved the idea of a General Grand Lodge having Provincial Grand Lodges in each of the Provinces, and expressed grave doubts whether a union embracing such an immense extent of country would have a tendency to promote the advancement of the best interests of Masonry on this continent. The subject was referred to a special committee, upon the report of the majority of which Grand Lodge decided in favour of the maintenance of the then present position, standing and name of Grand Lodge. An amendment to this resolution had been moved in committee by R. W. Brother A. A. Stevenson, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. H. Graham, but was defeated on a division of 3 to 4. The amendment read as follows:—

“ ‘That the best interests of Masonry require the organization of a Grand Lodge in each of the four Provinces now constituting the Dominion of Canada, being satisfied that this course would be strictly in accordance with the laws and regulations of Freemasonry respecting the establishing of Grand Lodges, and believing that a more substantial union would thereby be secured; and also that the affairs of the Craft would be much more effectively and economically managed by this method than by any other.’

“R. W. Brother Stevenson’s proposal and support of this amendment made his subsequent opposition to the formation of the Grand Lodge of Quebec all the more surprising and disappointing to his many friends and admirers in this Province, by all of whom he was very much beloved and esteemed. . . .

“In the month following the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Canada above referred to, namely, on the 12th of August, 1869, an informal conference of representative Masons of this Province held in Montreal decided to call a meeting of delegates from Lodges in all sections of the Province, holding under the Grand Lodges of Canada, England, and Scotland, to consider what was best to be done, and this meeting, which was held on the 24th September, having unanimously favoured the formation of a Grand Lodge for the Province of Quebec, decided to summon a Convention to be held in the British Masonic Chambers, Montreal, on the 20th of October, for the purpose of taking into consideration the then present state of Freemasonry in this Province, and to proceed, if so decided, to the formation of a Grand Lodge for the Province of Quebec.

Prior to the call of this Convention, a committee named for the purpose waited upon Grand Master Stevenson in Montreal and respectfully asked him to call an early Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada to consider, and, if possible, harmoniously carry out the important object in view. Not only was the request refused, but upon the issue of the call for the convention, the members of the committee which had waited upon the Grand Master to suggest the summoning of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and who had since signed the call for the Convention, were summoned by the Grand Master to appear before him, to answer certain grave charges ‘in utter violation of their Masonic obligations,’ etc. Some of those so summoned wrote and protested against the summary character of the Grand Master’s action and gave notice of appeal to Grand Lodge. Others appeared and justified their course in the matter of the proposed formation of a Grand Lodge for the Province of Quebec, firmly declining to comply with the request to



withdraw from the movement. Edicts of suspension were issued against nearly all the Brethren of every Grand Registry whose names were affixed to the Convention call, and the Masters, Past Masters, Wardens, and Brethren of the different Lodges were prohibited from attending such Convention. Few were influenced by these proceedings.

"The representatives of 21 Lodges assembled in the British Masonic Chambers in this city, on the 20th October, 1869, in response to the call of the Convention, of which 18 were on the Registry of the Grand Lodge of Canada, one on that of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and two on that of the Grand Lodge of England.

"V. W. Brother James Dunbar, of St. John's Lodge, Quebec, was called to the chair, and W. Brother Edson Kemp, of Prevost Lodge, Dunham, was appointed Secretary.

"A Committee on Credentials having been appointed and its report having been regularly made, received, and adopted, it was resolved to follow the Rules and Regulations for conducting public business contained in the Book of Constitution of the Grand Lodge of England. It is worthy of note that this resolution was proposed by W. Bro. the Hon. Thomas Wood, M. L. C., P. M. of Prevost Lodge, the grandfather of our present much esteemed Grand Master on the Throne, M. W. Bro. Arthur B. Wood.

"The Convention having been duly organized, its business session was opened with solemn prayer.

"A committee was appointed to prepare resolutions for adoption by the Convention, and these, which were submitted after a brief adjournment and unanimously received and adopted, placed on record the facts that the Convention not only contained representatives of more than the required three Lodges, but actually represented a majority of the lodges hailing from the several Grand Lodges then exercising jurisdiction in the Province. It was thereupon resolved that a Grand Lodge to be called 'The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Quebec, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons,' be and is hereby established in and for the Province of Quebec.

"The full record of the proceedings of this Convention and of the first Communication of the Grand Lodge is published in our Proceedings, the main features of such Convention and Communication being as already given. . . . .

"At the fourth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in September, 1873, Grand Lodge, on motion of R. W. Brother J. H. Isaacson, seconded by R. W. Bro. H. J. Pratten,

fraternally invited any communication from the Grand Lodge of Canada which might tend to the restoration of unity. Certain correspondence ensued, which was submitted to a special Communication of Grand Lodge held on the 6th January, 1874, and resulted in the appointment of a special committee, which in the following month met a similar committee of the Grand Lodge of Canada, with the happy result that all former difficulties were settled. Consequently, at the fifth Annual Communication held in September, 1874, there was a fraternal reception of the delegates of the different Lodges in the Province lately under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada, headed by M. W. Brother Thomas White—later the Hon. Thomas White, Honorary P. G. M. of the Grand Lodge of Canada—who were introduced to Grand Lodge by R. W. Brother James Dunbar, Deputy Grand Master, and most enthusiastically welcomed. Thus the long and earnestly desired harmony with the fraternity of the sister Province, which then, as now, included many of our dearest and most respected Masonic Brethren, was, once and for all time, we hope and pray, most firmly established.

“There still remained three Lodges in Montreal holding charters from the Grand Lodge of England and one from the Grand Lodge of Scotland. This last mentioned Grand Lodge instituted, in June, 1878, two additional lodges in Montreal, and these, together with Elgin, formed a provincial Grand Lodge under the Grand Lodge of Scotland. The Grand Master, M. W. Brother Tait, issued his edict of non-intercourse against the Grand Lodge of Scotland and its subordinates for this unjustifiable invasion of territory. Three years later amicable proposals resulted in all three of the Scotch Lodges joining the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

“The Grand Lodge of England, early in the history of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, proffered recognition with certain restrictions, but this was declined. Jurisdictional difficulties increased, rather than diminished, the Grand Lodge of England persisting in retaining Lodges within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and the latter prohibiting all intercourse with her or with any of her subordinate Lodges, but at the same time scrupulously refusing to accede to an application made to it to charter a Lodge in Manchester, in the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England.

“An offer of mediation by M. W. Brother R. T. Walkem, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, in 1889, was gladly accepted by the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and all outstanding edicts of non-intercourse were withdrawn to permit the re-opening of the necessary correspondence and negotiations. The re-establishment of improved relations proceeded slowly.

Finally in 1906, the earnest desire for the removal of all barriers which had theretofore existed between the Grand Lodge of England and this Grand Body found expression in the adoption by this Grand Lodge of the following resolutions, moved by M. W. Bro. M. M. Tait, and seconded by M. W. Bro. B. Tooke:—

“Whereas, since the correspondence was held between the Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodge of Quebec regarding recognition by the former, the Grand Lodge of England has made changes in its Constitution which render it desirable that formal recognition should now take place in order that the interests of Masonry should thereby be greatly promoted:—

“Be it resolved, that the Grand Master be and he is hereby authorized to enter into fraternal correspondence with the Grand Lodge of England with the view of completing said negotiations and our application for an exchange of representatives, and the issuing of a commission to some well skilled Brother to represent this Grand Body near the Grand Lodge of England.’

“H. R. H. the Grand Master of England accepted this resolution in the spirit in which it was made, and at once suggested that the appointment as Representative of the Grand Lodge of Quebec near the Grand Lodge of England, of the Most Worshipful the Pro. Grand Master, the Right Hon. William Archer, Earl of Amherst, of Montreal, in the County of Kent, stating at the same time that he would be pleased to receive the name of a Brother for appointment to the office of Representative of his Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Quebec. Our much regretted Past Grand Master M. W. Bro. M. M. Tait was suggested and appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of England near this Grand Lodge, and after his lamented decease a worthy successor to him was found in the person of M. W. Bro. B. Tooke, and later of M. W. Brother the Rev. Dr. Charters. Our present Representative near the Grand Lodge of England, in succession to the late Earl Amherst, is Lord Amptill, who also succeeded the late Earl in the Pro-Grand Mastership of the Grand Lodge. I cannot tell you, my Brethren of Grand Lodge, how highly we are honoured in having for our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of England, the brilliant and dignified nobleman and Brother who rules Grand Lodge in the oftentime enforced absence of the Grand Master; whose magnificent presence and bearing and dignified manner are the admiration of all who sit with him; who takes his Masonry so seriously as to impress all over whom he presides with the consciousness that it is indeed a privilege to be a Mason, but that like all great privileges it carries with it correspondingly great responsibilities, and who, notwithstanding his many

duties both to Masonry and to the State is a model workman, as exemplified by the admirable and letter-perfect manner in which he performed the whole ceremony of the installation of the W. M. and Officers of Canada Lodge, London, on the 24th of last June.

"In October, 1906, St. Lawrence Lodge, which had been chartered many years before by the Grand Lodge of England, and had ever since remained of obedience to that Grand Lodge, took the regular constitutional means to sever its connection therewith and to become of obedience to the Grand Lodge of Quebec. At the 37th Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge held in February, 1907, the members of old St. Lawrence were cordially welcomed therein by M. W. Brother Manson, Grand Master, amid the enthusiastic plaudits of the Brethren. It must have been gratifying to M. W. Brother W. W. Williamson, P. G. M. and Grand Secretary, as a leading member of old St. Lawrence, in obedience to this Grand Lodge, to have participated in the cordial welcome extended by his former mother Grand Lodge to the representatives, at the great Peace celebration in London, of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, of whom he was himself one—the only Masonic organization, quite naturally, in the Province of Quebec, which was extended any recognition in connection with the magnificent celebration in question, by the splendid old Grand Lodge of England.

"Freedom, since, 1906, from jurisdictional troubles has enabled the Craft to give its attention more unreservedly to internal affairs and to the work of the various constituent Lodges."





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